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The Story So Far

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Formerly used by a bunshin of Hakumen, after the plan to destroy the Beast Spear failed, Inasa Kirio disappeared.

Kirio had lost all hope and during his travels, met Mayuko again by coincidence. The two, both having encountered bizarre incidents before, joined forces and succeeded in defeating a bakemono. Thanks to Mayuko, Kirio once more has hope.

Meanwhile, holding the only weapon against Hakumen, the Beast Spear, I was anxious about the coming final battle.

I was extremely shocked to see the strength of mind and body of the seal magician Hyou, who appeared while following a bakemono.

To fix my fatal flaw, an inability to control my emotions, Hyou has begun leading my training!

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Chapter 41 'Resurrection of the Jet Black Horde'
Part 1 Resurrection

CHINA

SHISEN PROVINCE

ISN'T IT STONE?

IT LOOKS LIKE... SOME ANIMAL...

HUH?

WHAT'S THAT?

HEY

ガバッ!!

N...NO... IT'S NOT STONE!

I-IT'S-

砕け!

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「領域展開」

TOKYO, JAPAN

FU-GENIN

YAAA AH-HHH!

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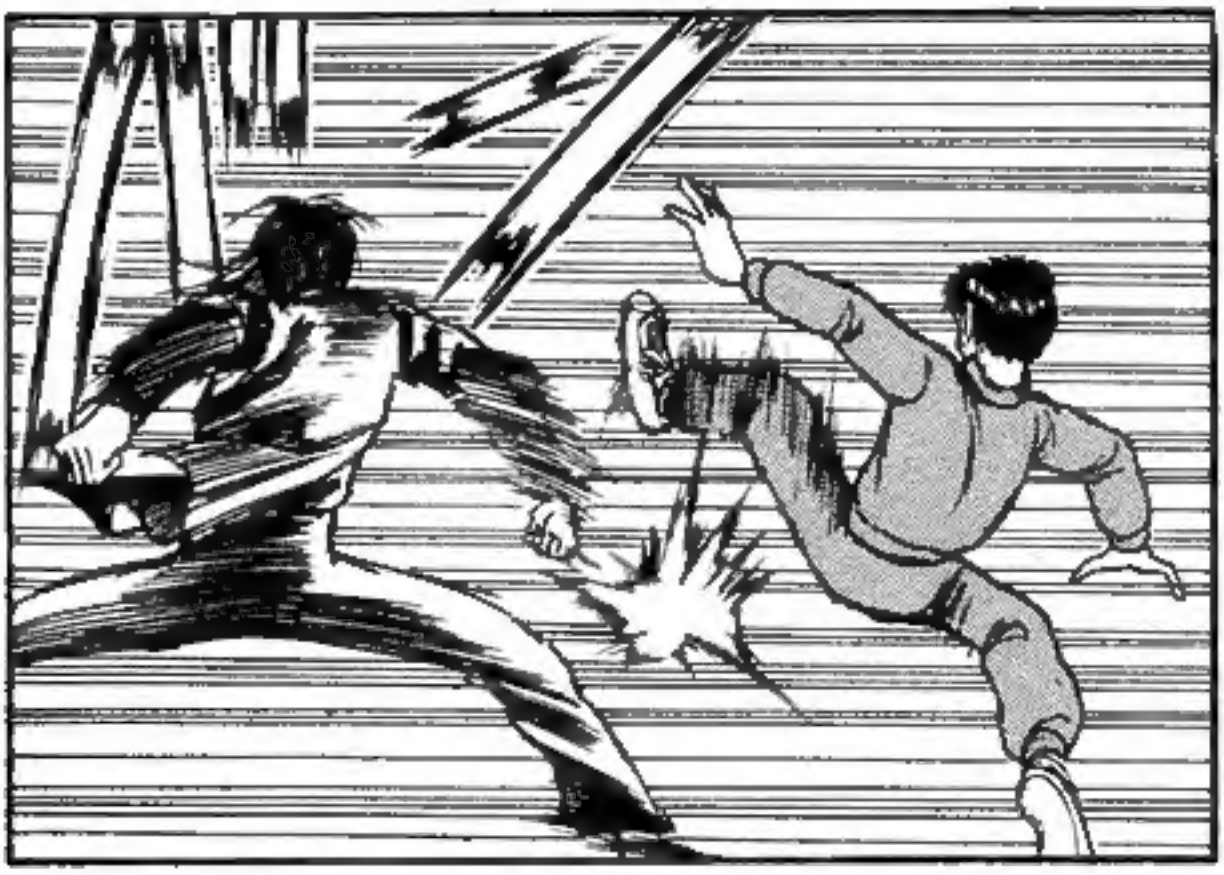

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H!

Y...YEAH. OF COURSE...

NO MATTER HOW STRONG THE ATTACK, IT IS INEFFECTIVE IF IT NEVER LANDS.

DO YOU UNDER-STAND? WHEN FACED WITH A STRONG ATTACK,

YOU SHOULD DEFLECT IT.

THE POWER OF THE BEAST SPEAR IS TREMEN-DOUS.

AS A RESULT, YOU LOST TO BO WHEN IT ACCELERATED.

HEAD-ON.

BEFORE, YOU TRIED TO OPPOSE THE BAKEMONO BO'S POWER

OW OW OW!

WHAT'RE THEY UP TO?

I'M TRYING TO COLLIDE JUST LIKE THIS.

IF YOU THINK ABOUT IT...IT'S LIKE THIS...

R-RIGHT.

BUT YOU CAN'T RELY ON THAT POWER AND SIMPLY ATTACK EVERYTHING FROM THE FRONT.

EVEN SO,

HYOU-DONO WILL TEACH USHIO WHAT HE'S BEEN LACKING IN BATTLE.

KEH, IF HE DOES, IT'LL MAKE IT EVEN HARDER FOR ME TO EAT HIM!

IT'S IN ONE EAR AND OUT THE OTHER!

FUH. VERY TRUE, TORA-DONO.

HE CAN'T TEACH THAT IDIOT ANYTHING.

WHAT IS HE THINKING ...

AND THAT DAMNED HYOU SAID THERE WAS ANOTHER REASON FOR COMING HERE, BESIDES STRENGTH-ENING USHIO...

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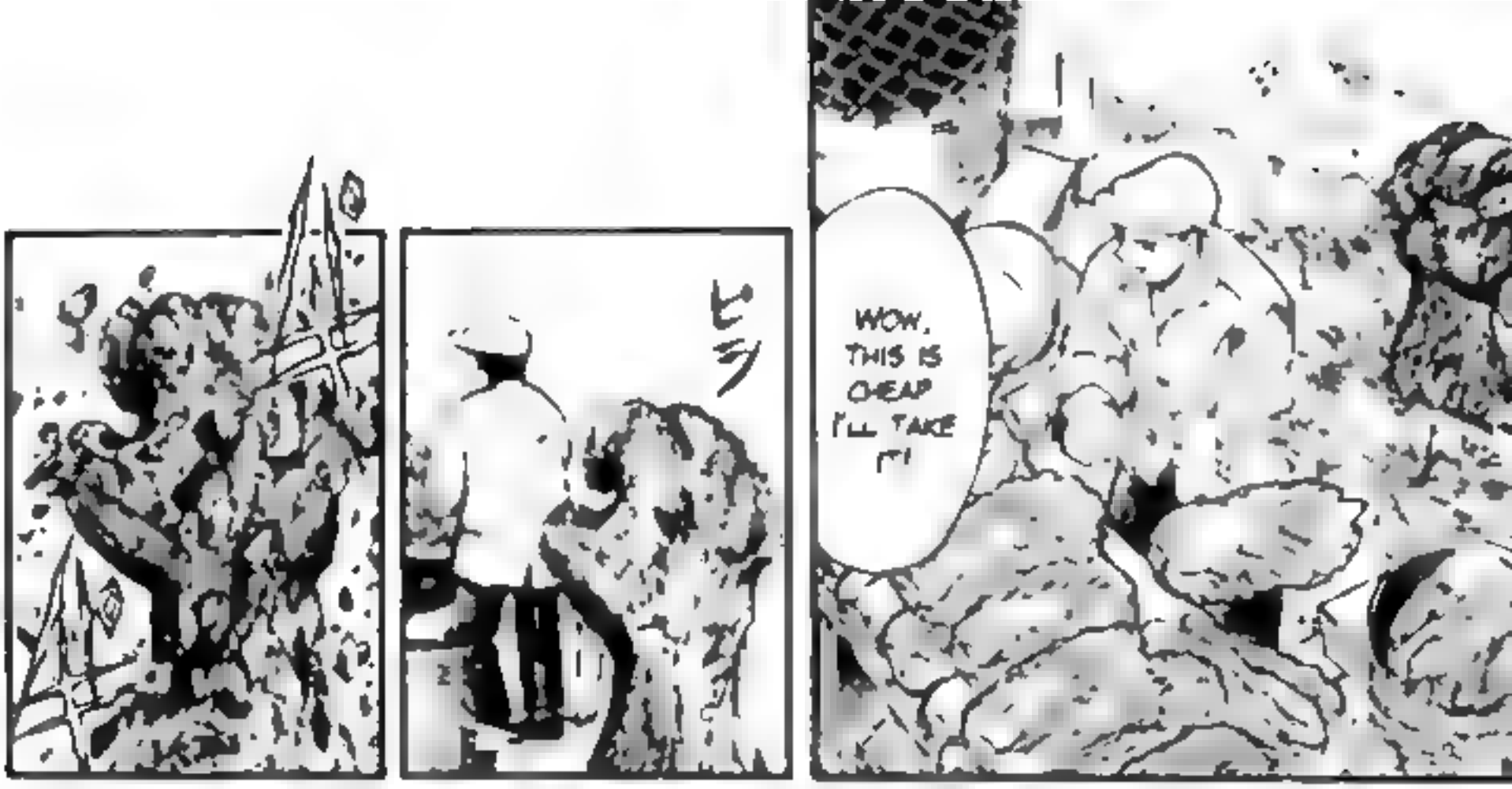
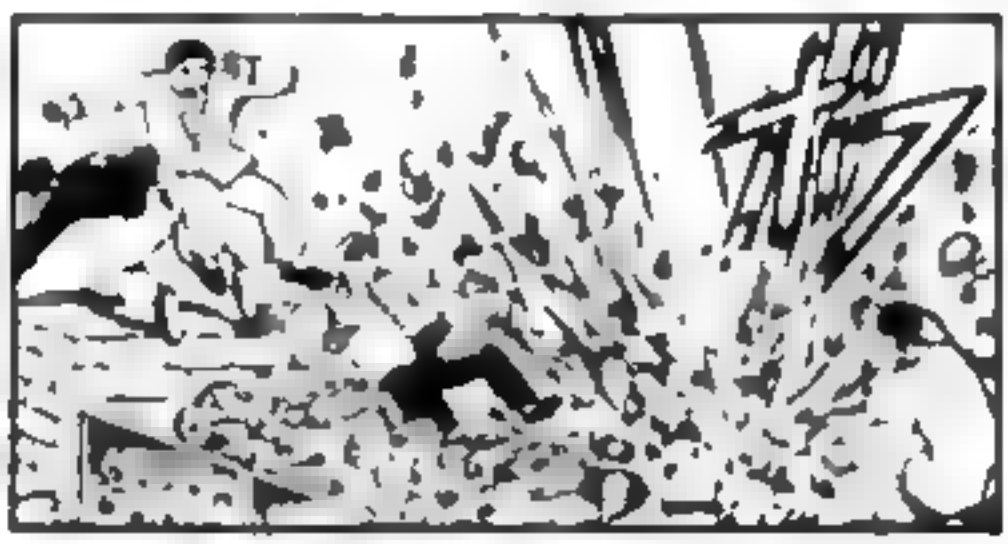
KO HOKU PROV INCE


WOW, THIS IS CHEAP I'LL TAKE IT!

HYAA AHH!



SOME GIRL I KNOW.

WHEN YOU FOUGHT THE BAKEMONO GI, IT SHOWED YOU AN ILLUSION.

WHAT WAS IT?

THERE'S NOTHING IN BETWEEN.

AOTSUKI, IN A BATTLE, THERE IS A WINNER AND A LOSER.

.....!

IS THAT SO?

NEXT TIME, KILL IT.

I KNOW. BUT...I...JUST CAN'T...

YOUR ATTACKS ARE EASY TO SEE COMING.

YOU MUST PRACTICE BATTLING WHILE CONTROLLING YOUR EMOTIONS.

UM. YEAH ...

ON HOW MANY EFFECTIVE ATTACKS YOU LAND ON AN ENEMY.

WHICH IS WHICH DEPENDS ON CONTROLLING EMOTIONS BETTER ON MOVING WITH MORE SPEED..

KEH KEH KEH KEH, YOUR HEART IS TRULY EASY TO SEE INTO!

THAT'S HARSH, HYOU-SAN...

THEN YOU WILL LOSE. THAT'S IT.

TO HELP HIM, YES?

IT WAS MY OWN DECISION.

WE WILL LEAVE TOMORROW MORNING...

THANK YOU FOR TEACHING MY FOOLISH SON.

I DON'T KNOW IF I WOULD SAY THAT ..

HE MAY DIE BEFORE HE'S ABLE TO BECOME ANY STRONGER.

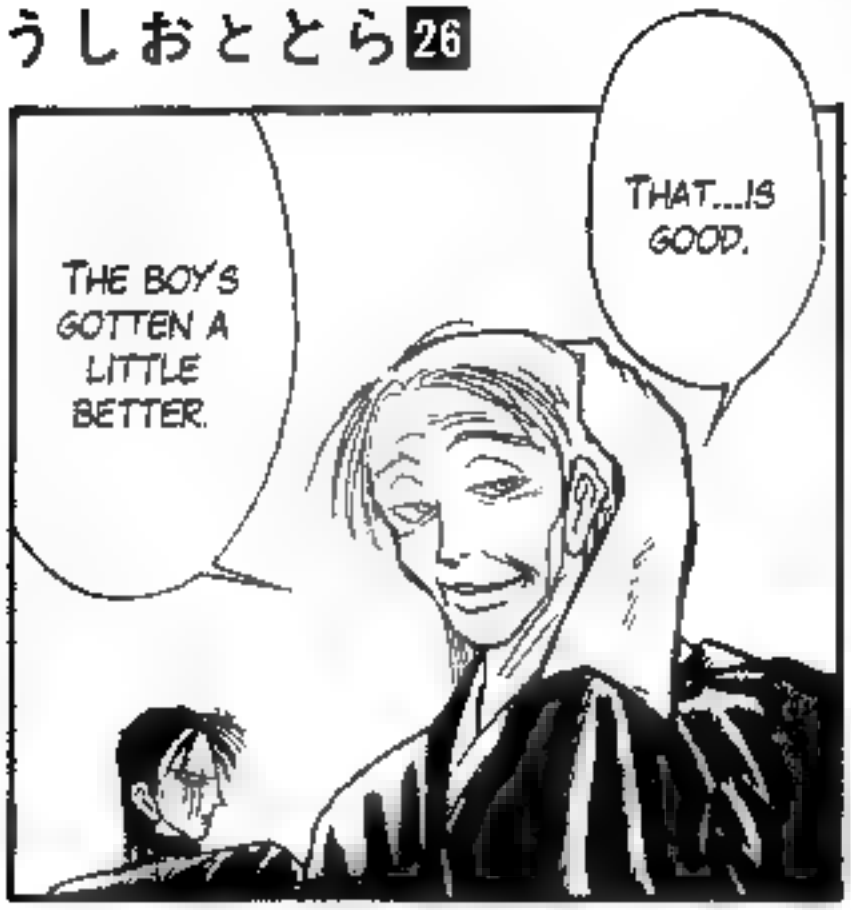
BUT I CAN TRAIN USHIO THERE IN SOLITUDE.

IT'S A BEAUTIFUL PLACE WHERE THE FLOW OF TIME STOPS

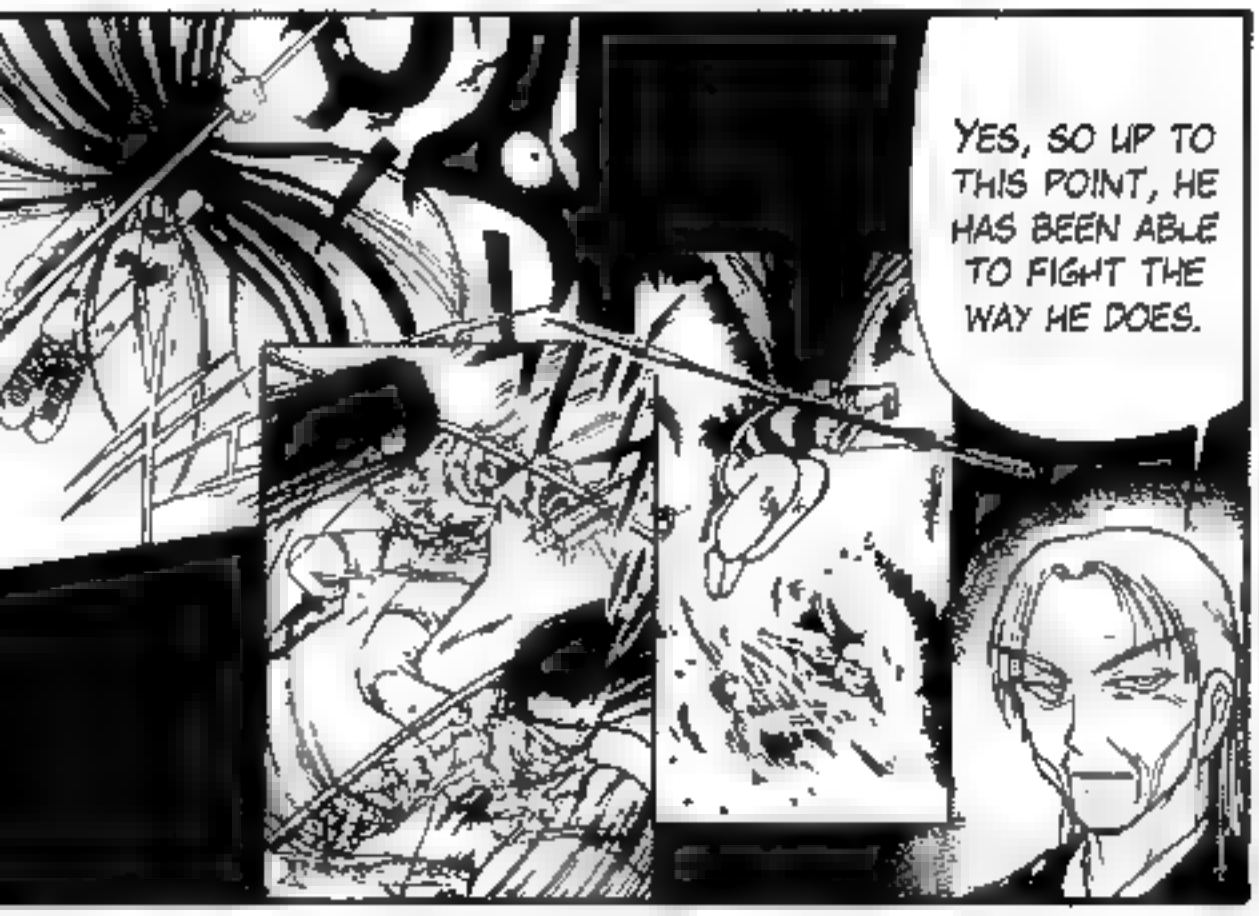
IS THIS ALL THIS OKAY?

*UTOPIA ("WHERE PEACH BLOSSOMS COME FROM")

I INTEND TO TAKE USHIO TO THE PLACE CALLED TOUKAGEN*.


THE BOY'S GOTTEN A LITTLE BETTER.
THAT...IS GOOD.

HE DOESN'T WANT TO LOSE TO HAKUMEN.


YES, SO UP TO THIS POINT, HE HAS BEEN ABLE TO FIGHT THE WAY HE DOES.

THE WIELDER FUNCTIONS WITH ENORMOUS STRENGTH, AGILITY, AND BATTLE ABILITY,
WHEN HOLDING THE BEAST SPEAR, WITH ITS TERRIBLE POWER,

CHINA
KAINAN PROVIN CE

WELL... I THINK THAT WILL BE UP TO HIM...
IN TOUKAGEN, I'LL TRY TO DISCIPLINE HIM
HOWEVER, WHILE MANIPU-LATING THIS POWER, USHIO'S HEART HASN'T GROWN ANY STRONGER.

HYOU-
DONO,
PLEASE
TAKE CARE
OF MY
IDIOT SON.

I'LL
RETURN
BEFORE
YOU LEAVE
TOMORROW.
WELL, I
MUST BE
GOING.

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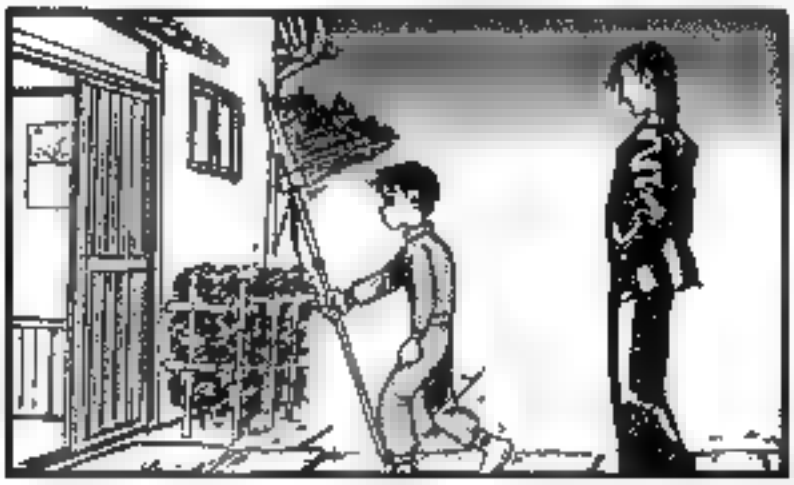
YOU SAY THAT BUT LAST TIME, YOU TOLD EVERYONE I HAD A SICKNESS WHERE I POOPED OUT MY MOUTH, YOU STUPID OLD MAN!
USHIO, WORK HARD! I'LL TAKE CARE OF YOUR SCHOOL.

OOOOWWW!
HAH HAH HAH, JUST SO!!

HUH~ IT'S NOT "INTER-ESTING"! HE HITS ME AND EATS ALL MY FOOD!
YOU'RE AN INTEREST-ING PAIR.

WHAT? HYOU-SAN, YOU'RE LAUGHING? THAT'S UNUSUAL FOR YOU.
KUH KUH.



IT'S TIME YOU TOLD US YOUR OTHER REASON FOR BEING HERE.
HYOU...

YOU WERE THERE BEFORE. IN THE CAVE AT KAMUI-KOTAN.

MIGHT IT BE...ABOUT YOUR WOMAN AND KID?

THE BAKEMONO WHO TURNS BACK TIME IS IN THAT CAVE-TOKISAKA!

WHAT DID YOU FIND OUT IN THERE? SPILL IT!

YES. YOU'RE RIGHT.

MY OTHER REASON FOR BEING HERE IS THE FOE WHO-

HYOU-SAN WENT BACK IN TIME! WHAT DID HE SEE?

CWIM! THIS IS SOME-THING TO DO WITH ME!

I DIDN'T NOTICE THEM COMING!

TORA! WUWO WUWAT DID UCU SAY?

W-WHAT ARE THEY!?

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W-WHAT ARE THEY!?

JAPAN, TOKYO FUGENIN 5:40 IN THE EVENING

Part 2
The Gathering Process

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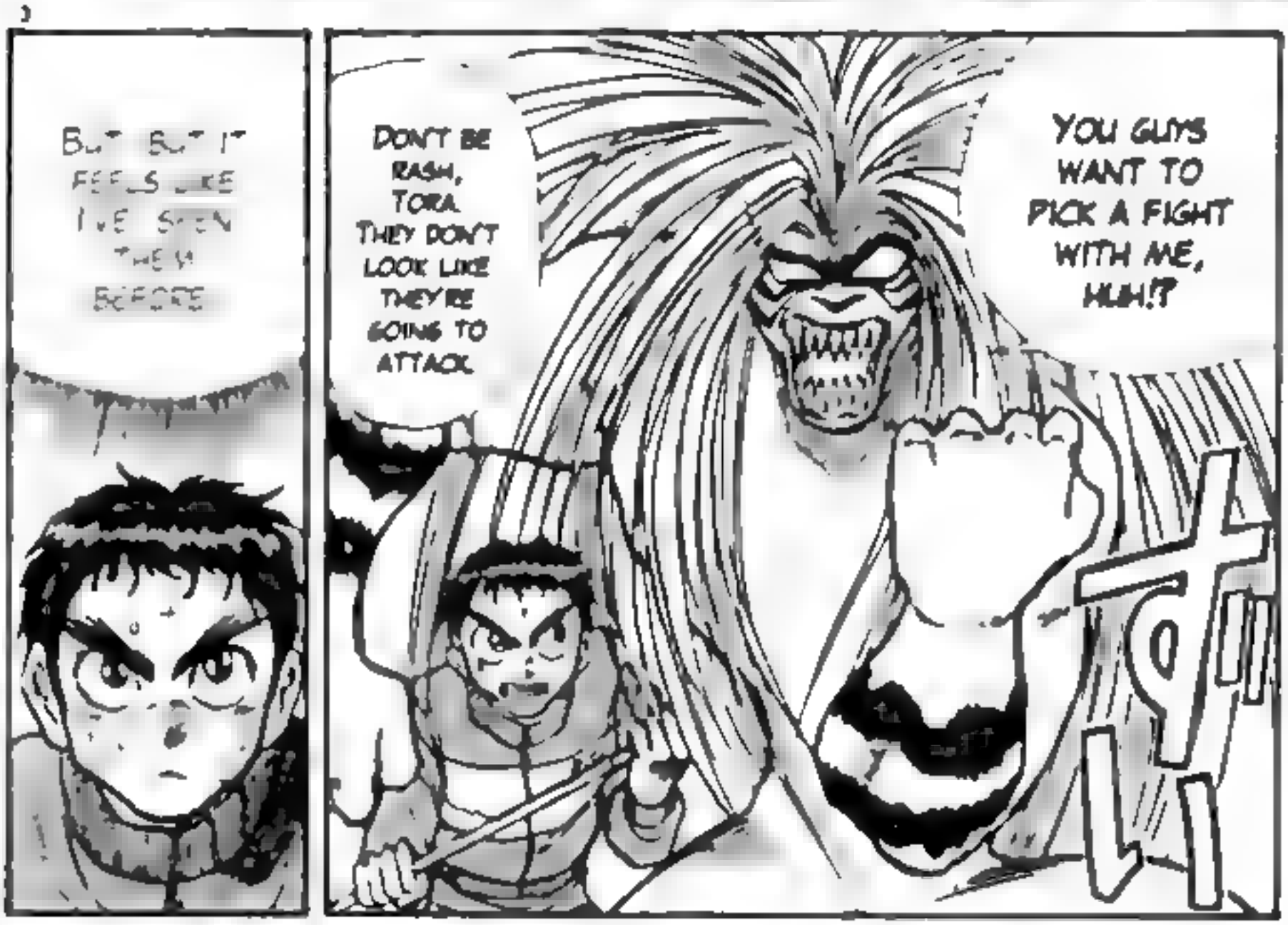

BUT BUT IT FEELS LIKE I'VE SEEN THEM BEFORE
DON'T BE RASH, TORA. THEY DON'T LOOK LIKE THEY'RE GOING TO ATTACK
YOU GUYS WANT TO PICK A FIGHT WITH ME, HUH!?

WELL, YOU'VE GOT A FIGHT!!

AH!

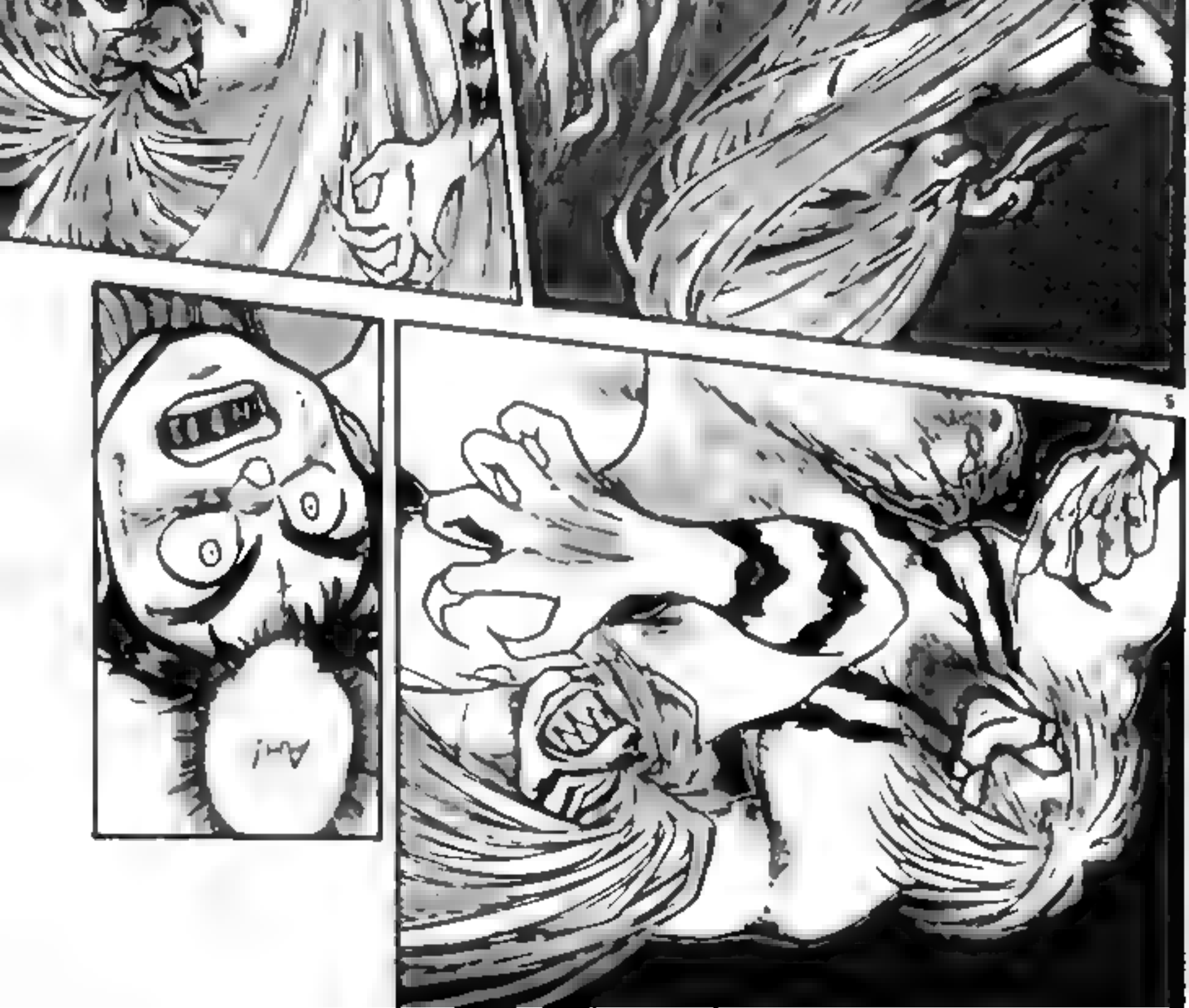
I DON'T LIKE THE LOOKS OF YOU!

YOU ALL...

ILL

THEY LOOK LIKE TOSH!!

I'M SEEN IN THEIR EYES



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BAS-
TARDS!
STOP
JUST
TRYING
TO-

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KUH
THAT'S
THE
FIRST
ONE!

WHAT !?

TORA, NOT YET!!

NO... IT'S NOT...

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GUUH

DAMN HIM

HE TOOK MY BLADE STRAIGHT ON AND HE HAS HIS OWN FIRE!

THEY'RE STRONG!

SAME DAY, OVER THE EAST CHINA SEA

TIS
HAA
A!

6:02
FUGENIN

BAS-
TARDS!

TAKE
THIS!!

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HE SHOT HIS OWN LIGHTNING! WHAT'S GOING ON? HE REPELLED TORA'S ATTACK!

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WHAT'S GOING ON...

OHHH! LIGHTNING'S NO GOOD EITHER...

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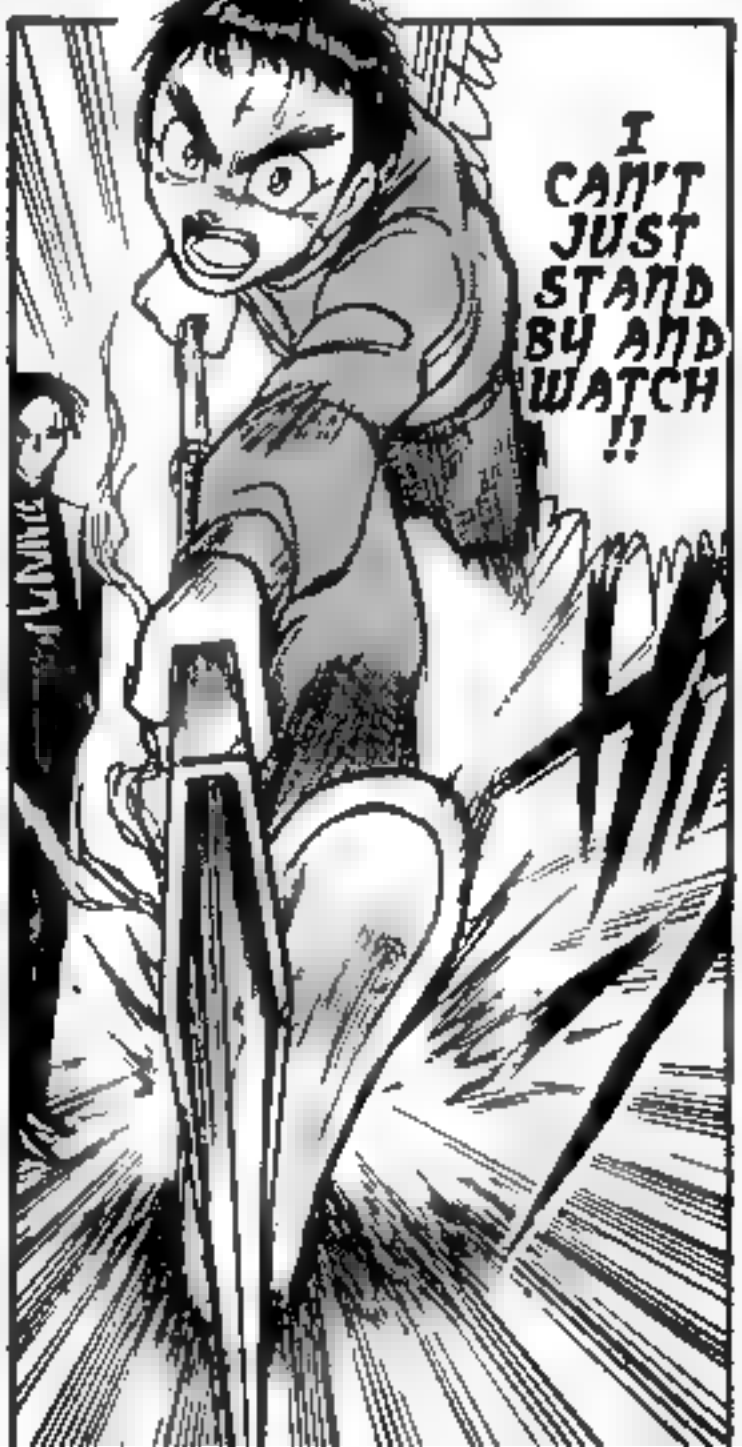
WHY'D YOU STOP ME, HYOU-SAN!?
WAIT!

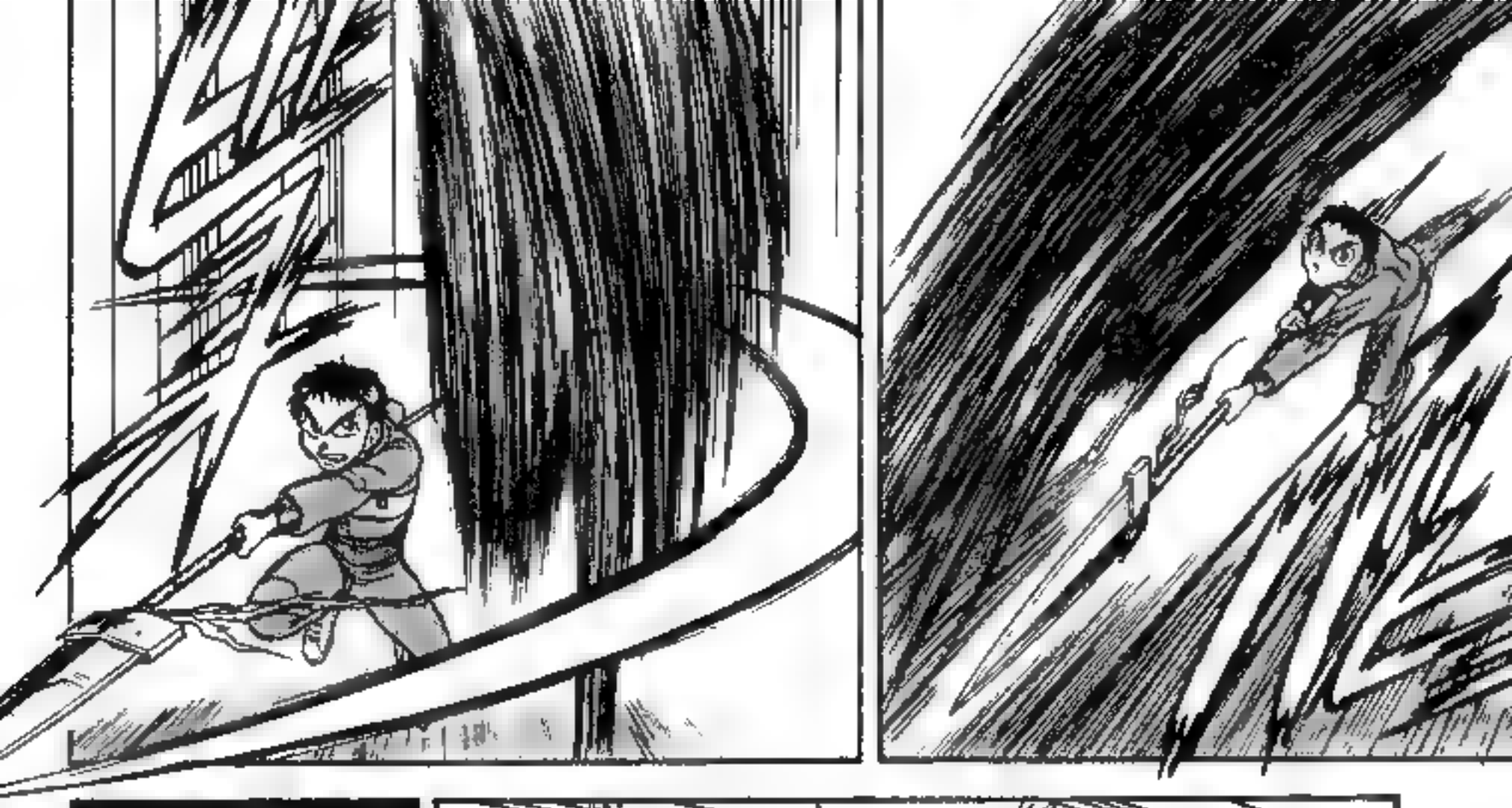
TORA!
NOT THAT ONE EITHER...

AH! MY HAIR HASN'T GROWN!
WHY? IT REACTED SO STRONGLY BEFORE...
DON'T YOU THINK IT'S STRANGE THAT THE BEAST SPEAR ISN'T REACTING?

STOP IT!!


I CAN'T JUST STAND BY AND WATCH!!

BUT-



BE...

WHY ARE YOU RUNNING!? FIGHT ME!

WHAT CONNECTION DO THEY HAVE TO THE BEAST SPEAR!?
THE BEAST SPEAR!?

BEAST SPEAR...

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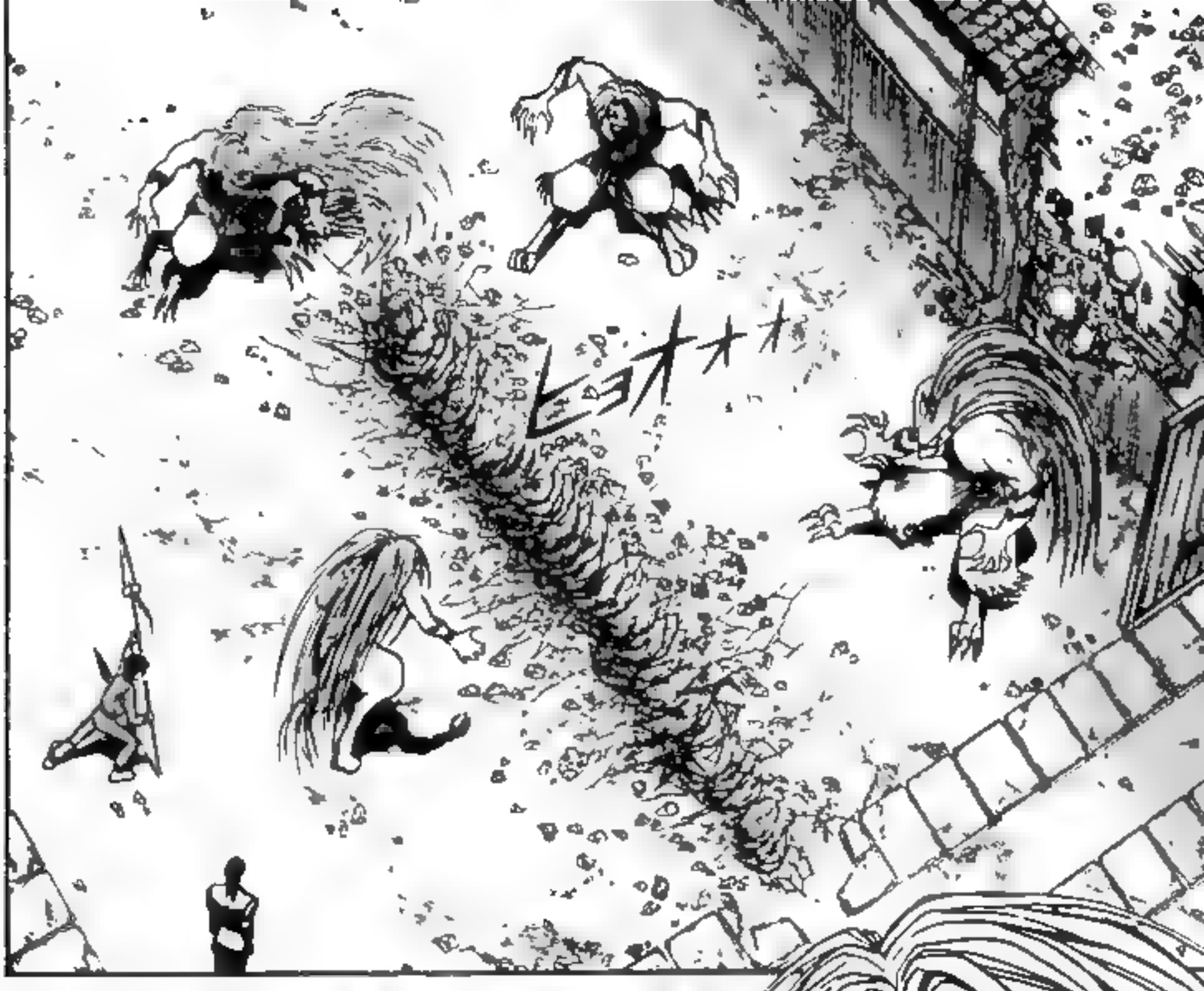
HE DEFI-
NITELY SAID
"BEAST
SPEAR".
CHIIH!
FIRE AND
LIGHT-
NING ARE
BOTH
USELESS.

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TOKYO
FUGENIN
6:15
WHAT
ARE
THEY!?

SAME TIME
SHIMANE
PREFECTURE
OFF THE
COAST OF
MISAKI

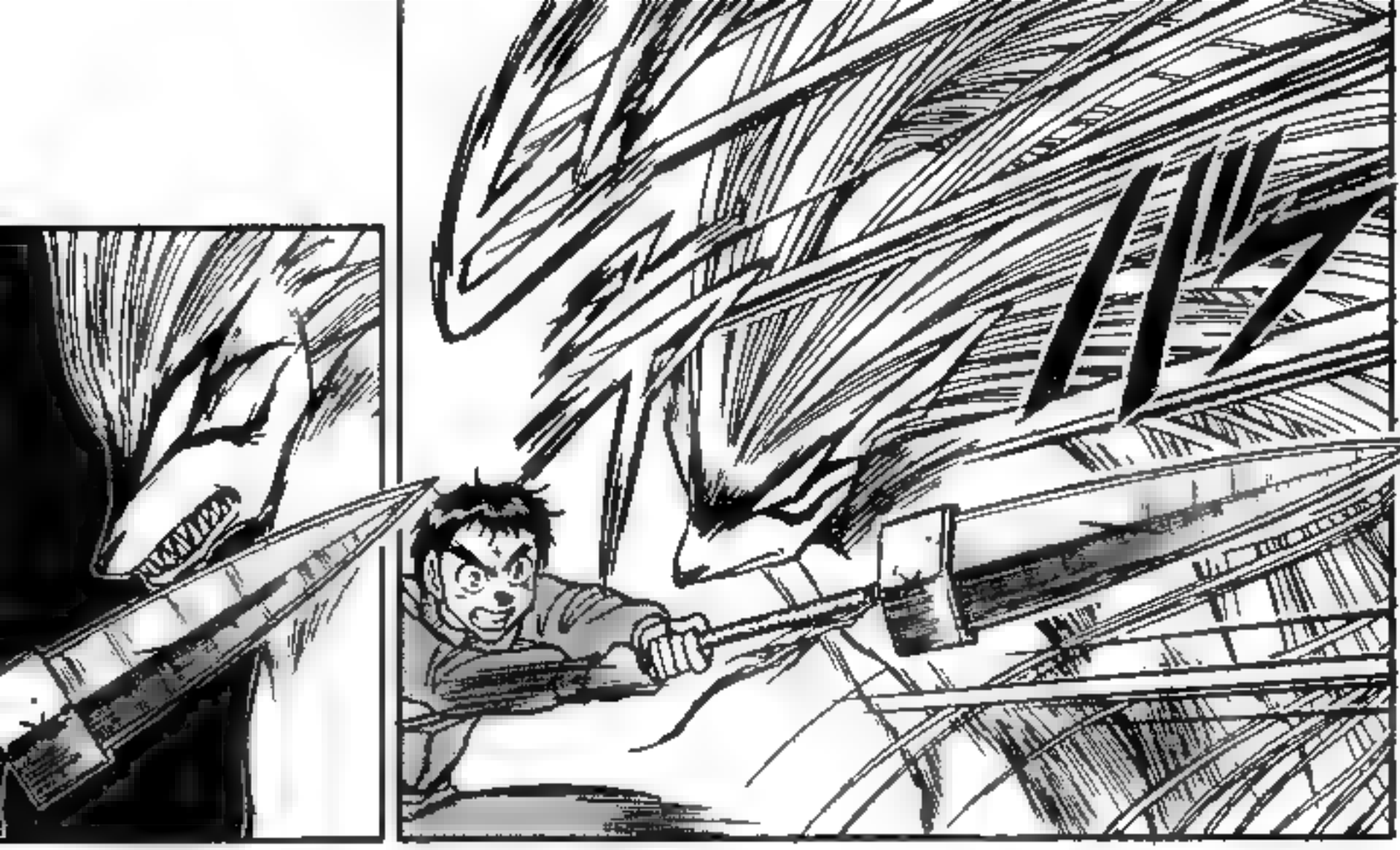
GIS
AA
AA

LIKE THEY KNOW SOME-THING...
THEIR EYES ANNOY ME...

SHUT UP!
TOBA, STOP! HOW MANY TIMES ARE YOU GOING TO ATTACK TH-

CHIIH

DAMN THEIR EYES !!


AND THE BEAST SPEAR ISN'T REACTING.
THEY REALLY DON'T WANT TO FIGHT ME
THE BEAST SPEAR CALLED THEM HERE.
THEY HAVE NONE.
THE BEAST SPEAR REACTS TO A BAKEMONO'S MALICIOUS INTENT.
OVER OSAKA
WHAT?

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EUGEN

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DAHN
IT

THEY'RE CALLED AZAFUSE.

TORA IS AN AZAFUSE AS WELL.

AND..

"AZAFUSE"?

THE NAME IS FOOLISH. "HIDDEN BY AN ALIAS"... MYSTERIOUS BAKEMONO.

THEY'VE COME TO BE CALLED THIS.

YOU...AND THE KOUHAMEI SECT, WHICH SHOULDERS THE BURDEN OF EXTERMINATING BAKEMONO IN THIS COUNTRY, THOUGHT THAT "TORA" WAS ONE OF A KIND.

"FRIENDS"? NOT EXACTLY.

THEY'RE TORA'S FRIENDS?

THEN. THEY...

* "AZA(NA)" =ALIAS "FUSE(RARETA)"= HIDDEN

THERE IS ONLY ONE AZAFUSE FOR EACH AGE.

IN A SENSE, IT IS TRUE.

HE'S NOT?

YES?

I ENTERED THE CAVE AT KAMUIKOTAN IN ASAHI-KAWA.

WHAT, HYOU-SAN? I DON'T UNDER-STAND

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YES. MY FOE!

WHAT YOU WANTED TO KNOW...MUST BE.

I SAW WHAT I MOST WANTED... WHAT I WANTED TO KNOW ...

I SAW IT...

THERE, I MET THE BAKEMONO WHO COMES AND GOES THROUGH THE FLOW OF TIME...

THE BAKEMONO WHO, 15 YEARS AGO, TOOK THE LIVES-

OF MY WIFE AND CHILD!

AN.. ADDI-TIONAL TRUTH?

AND ALONG WITH THAT, I LEARNED ONE ADDI-TIONAL TRUTH.

YOU'LL SEE HIM TOO... SOON ENOUGH.

DID YOU...SEE HIM?

NO.
IS THIS YOUR FOE, HYOU-SAN?
KEH! THERE'S ANOTHER ONE!
HE'S CLOSE.
BUT...

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KUH KUH

WE FINALLY MEET...

GUREN

!?

YOU'RE NO MATCH-
SMALL FRIES!

FOR THE GREAT GUREM!

WHO THE HELL ARE YOU?

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THREE BAKEMONO WHO RESEMBLE TORA APPEARED BEFORE HYOU, USHIO, AND TORA

THEY APPEARED IN VARIOUS PLACES IN CHINA AND FLEW TO JAPAN.

HYOU CALLED THEM AZAFUSE AND THEY KNOW ALL OF TORA'S TECHNIQUES.

A BLACK TORA CALLED GUREN.

NOW TO FUGENIN COMES ONE WHO HAS BEEN KILLING OTHER AZAFUSE ON HIS WAY...

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Part 4 Azafuse

Part 4 Azafuse

その四 浅布

HOOOH... ALL YOU FOOLS STAND WITH YOUR HEADS IN A ROW.

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OI, YOU SKEWERED, LACQUERED JACKASS ...

HAS COME TO PERFORM LAST RITES FOR YOU ALL.

THE GREAT GUREN-

TELL ME, HONESTLY, HOW YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE SO DIFFERENT FROM THESE GUYS!

WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU AND THEY!?

RIGHT?

FOR SOME REASON, IT LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE PLANNING TO KILL ME AND THEM.

AH HAHA HAHA HAHA HAHA

KAH!

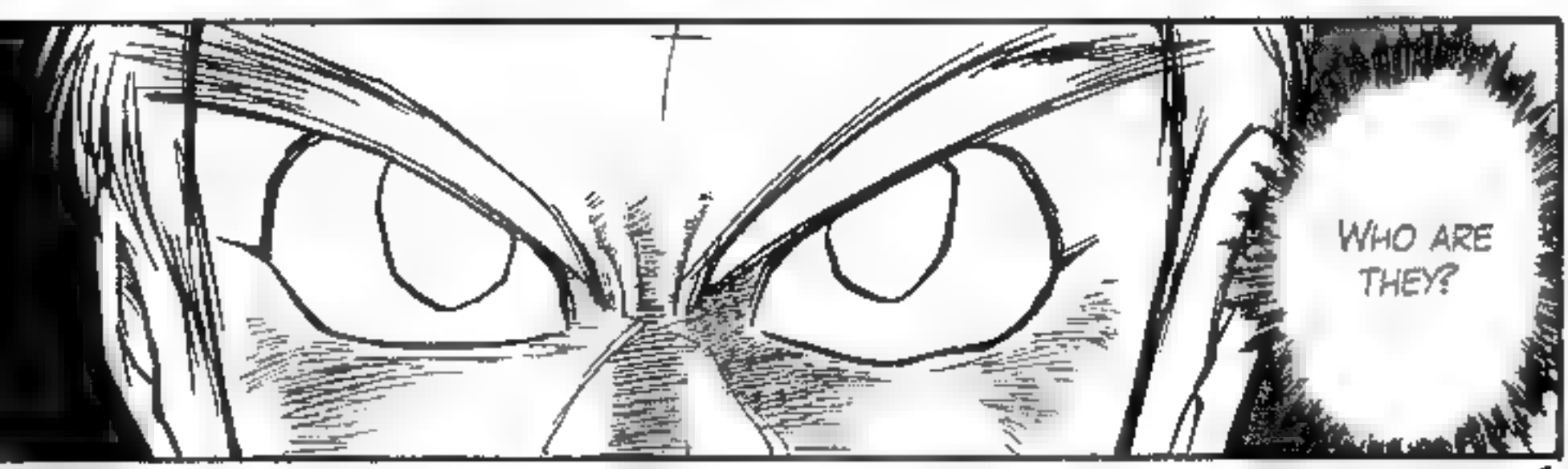
WELL...IT'S A BOTHER, SO I'M NOT TELLING YOU.

KAH KAH KAH...

DON'T LAUGH.

WHAT IS AN AZAFUSE?
I WAS REALLY SURPRISE THAT GUREN GUY AND THE OTHERS LOOKED LIKE TORA.

WHAT


WHO ARE THEY?

.....
WHO'S THAT?

SOKUEI.
YOU'RE STILL ALIVE, ARE YOU?

LONG AGO, THERE WAS A THIEF

HYOU-SAN?

YOUR TRUE NAME.

HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN?

THIS IS A STORY FROM 1700 YEARS AGO, IN WHAT WAS CALLED THE THREE KINGDOMS PERIOD OF CHINA.

THE MAN WAS ORIGINALLY A PEASANT, BUT HE WAS RECRUITED INTO A WAR

HE SNATCHED ANYTHING OF MONETARY VALUE OFF THE BODIES OF THE DEAD

THE MAN HAD NO HUMAN HEART

ALL RIGHT, NOW TO SELL THIS STUFF..

THE ABILITY TO DO NOTHING BUT WHAT HE LIKED

HE HAD THE WILL TO LIVE EVERY DAY AS HE WANTED.

I HUNGER TOO...

STARVING?

THERE'S SOME-THING I LIKE MORE...

HOW-EVER...

I'M STARVING AND MY MILK WON'T COME!

PLEASE...FOR THIS CHILD'S LIFE!

WHAT HE LIKED...

WHAT THIS MAN LIKED...

I LOVE IT, LOVE IT, LOVE IT, LOVE IT!

BLOOD!

HAHAHA HAHAHA HAHAHA HAHAHA HAHAHA HA...

HAHA HAHA HAHA HAHA

HAHA HAHA HAHA HAHA

WITHIN THE MOUNTAIN HE RAN TO IN ORDER TO ESCAPE...

A TIME FINALLY CAME WHEN HE WAS CHASED BY SOME GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.

HAH

HAH

HAH

HA

HA

WELL, WHO CARES! I DON'T HAVE A GOOD WEAPON

WHAT'S IT DOING HERE? A SPEAR

I'LL KILL THOSE OFFICERS WITH THIS.

MY PURSUERS ARE COMING!

CRAP! I HEARD THE RUMORS ABOUT THIS MOUNTAIN BEFORE!

A BAKEMONO LIVES HERE!

MM ROM ROM ORO!

UWAH! UWAH!

T-THE SPEAR

THE MAN TOOK A GREAT DEAL OF MONEY EXTERMINATING BAKEMONO, AS I DO.

FROM THAT TIME,

HA HA HA HA! LEAVE IT TO ME!

BEAST SPEAR!

THE KIND OF BAKEMONO DOESN'T MATTER TO THIS SPEAR.

BEFORE THIS-

HE ENJOYED THE RESPECT IN THE EYES OF THE POPULACE. EACH TIME HE KILLED ONE, HE HAD MORE MONEY, GOODS, AND GLAMOR.

THE MAN FOUGHT COUNTLESS BAKEMONO.

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I TERRIFY AND KILL THEM! HEH HEH! CAN ANYTHING FEEL THIS GREAT!?

BAKEMONO THAT ARE STRONG AND MAKE HUMANS TREMBLE!

KILLING HUMANS IS FUN, BUT KILLING BAKE-MONO IS EVEN BETTER!

THIS IS GREAT!

BUT. MORE THAN ANYTHING ...

WHAT WAS NATURAL FOR THE BEAST SPEAR CAME AS A SURPRISE TO THE MAN.

HOW-EVER,

HAHA HAHA HAHA HAHA HA

HAHA HAHA HAHA HAHAHA

W-WHAT THE HELL'S THIS!?

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KUAAAH!

THE MAN'S BODY BEGAN TO CHANGE.

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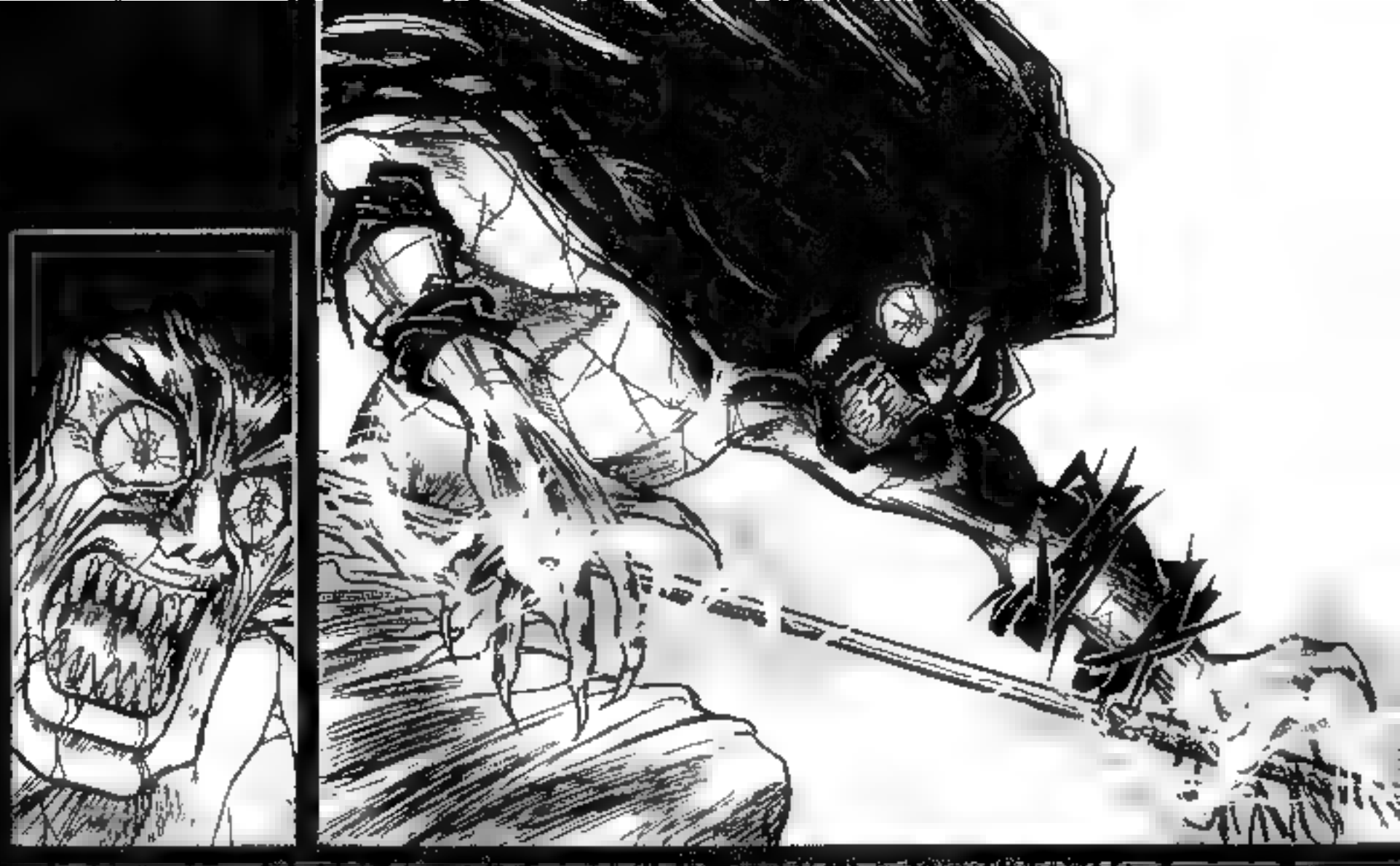
FOR THE THRILL OF KILLING BAKE-MONO

FOR THE MONEY

BUT HE WENT ON FIGHTING, UNCON-CERNED.

THE BEAST SPEAR TORE AWAY AT HIS SOUL, UNCHECKED

AND IN ORDER TO DEFEAT BAKE-MONO,



IT CAN'T BE...

Y...YEAH. IT FELT LIKE THAT...
LISHIO, WHEN YOU WERE IN ASAHIKAWA BEFORE, YOUR OWN SOUL WAS CONSUMED.

BUT DO YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENS TO THOSE WHO ARE NOT?
YOU WERE SAVED.

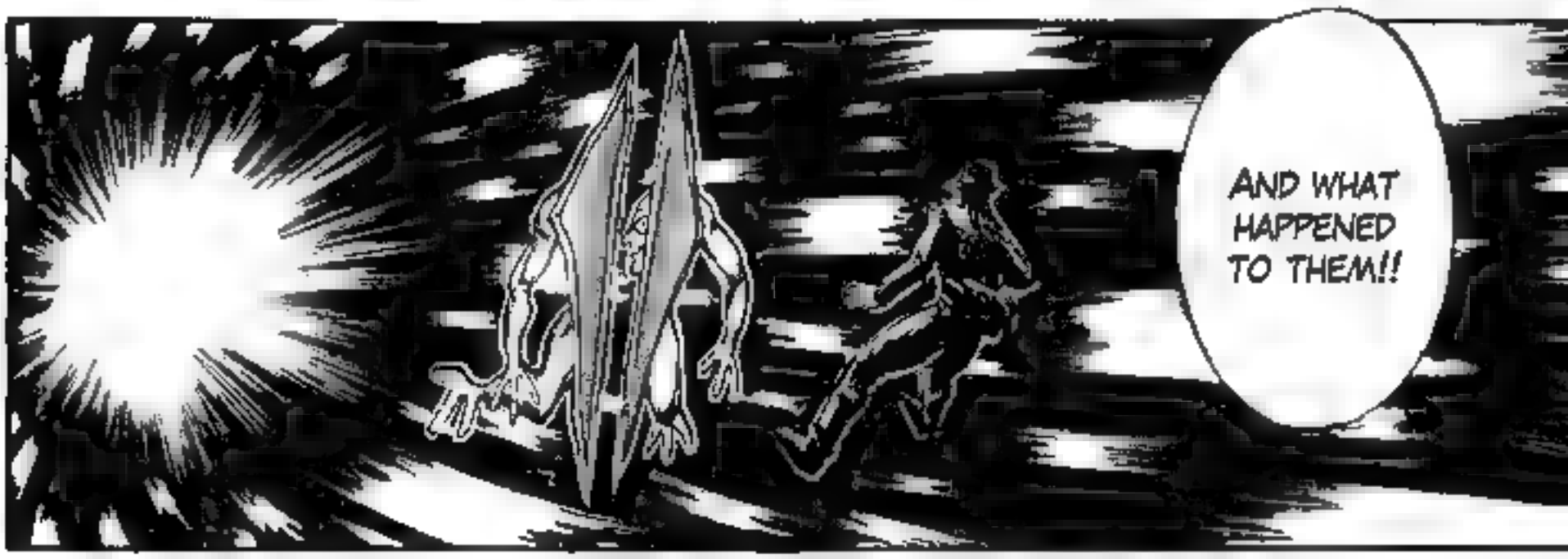
HIS HEART GREW BLACK... SO VERY BLACK...

THE MAN CHANGED...

THE MAN'S NAME WAS SOKUEI.

LISHIO. THE BAKEMONO WHO TRAVELS THROUGH THE FLOW OF TIME SHOWED ME.
THE SUCCESSIVE GENERATIONS WHO HELD THE BEAST SPEAR...

YOU. YOU MEAN...


AND WHAT HAPPENED TO THEM!!

STOP RAMBLING ON ABOUT CRAP I DON'T UNDER-STAND!

KEH.

TORA.

I SIMPLY DON'T LIKE YOU.

BRING IT ON!

IS THAT SO?

SHUT IT! IF THAT'S SO, COME AND GET ME! I'LL KILL YOU!

WERE HOLDERS OF THE BEAST SPEAR... HUMANS...

THE AZAFUSE... ORIGINALLY...

THEN... THEN IF...

SO...

SO THEN... DOES THAT MEAN...

TORA WAS TOO!?

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Part 5
Guren

SHAAAAH!

I DON'T REMEMBER ANYTHING ABOUT IT!

KEH! WHO'S THAT?

LOOKS THAT WAY... IF SO, YOU AND I WERE THE SAME KIND OF PERSON!

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I AM ME! THERE'S NOTHING BEYOND THAT!!

WE'RE ONE RACE AND OUR TRICKS ARE ALL IN THE FAMILY-

DOESN'T WORK, HUH?

IT'S NOT LIKE YOU'RE GOING TO EAT THEM.

SO WHY ARE YOU TRYING TO KILL OFF YOUR FELLOW AZAFUSE?

CALLING US "FAMILY" MAKES ME WANT TO VOMIT!

NO, NOT TO EAT THEM...

IT'S A FAVOR...

T-TORA!

A... FAVOR?

THE... WOMAN ...

A FAVOR TO...HER...

YOU GUYS...CAN TALK?

HAKUMEN NO... MONO...

HUH?

WHAT?! WHAT'RE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!

AH, YES. HAKUMEN'S BUNSHIN.

I'VE NO MEMORIES OF WHEN I WAS A HUMAN.

.....

I'M SURE THEY DON'T EITHER.

HOWEVER, THERE'RE A FEW THINGS I DO REMEMBER.

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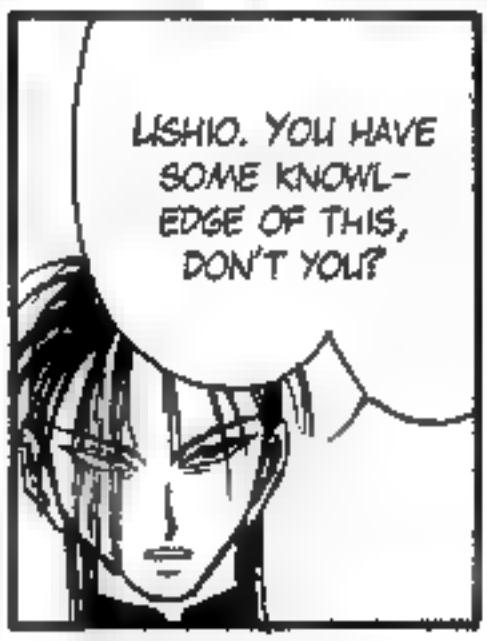
SUCH AS...

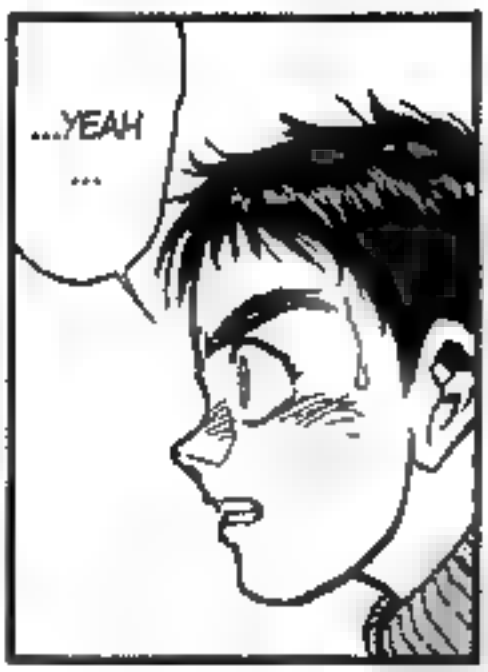
THE MEMORY OF BEING STONE...

SOMEHOW...WE TURNED TO STONE...WE SLEPT FOR A LONG TIME..
W...WE..

DESTRUC-TION TO HAKUMEN
HATRED OF HAKUMEN ...
IT RESOUNDED... INSIDE OUR HEADS...
BUT DURING THAT TIME...

DAMN YOU HAKUMEN!! I WON'T FORGIVE THIS!!
I HATE YOU, HATE YOU! I'LL KILL YOU, HAKUMEN NO MONO!!


USHIO. YOU HAVE SOME KNOWL-EDGE OF THIS, DON'T YOU?


...YEAH ...

WHEN THEY WIELDED THE BEAST SPEAR, THE IMAGE MUST HAVE FLOWED INTO THEIR MINDS.
IT WAS...

GIR-YOU-SAN!

WHOSE SISTER JIE MEI-SAN GAVE HER LIFE, WHO GAVE UP HIS OWN LIFE - TO MAKE THE BEAST SPEAR -

THE ONE WHOSE PARENTS WERE KILLED BY HAKUMEN.

HE IS. DIFFER-ENT...

N...NO...

IS...TORA LIKE THAT TOO?

THEN, WHEN THEY BECAME BAKEMONO, IT REVER-BERATED IN THEIR HEARTS..

YES. WHEN IT FLOWS INTO YOUR HEAD, THE VOICE OF GIRYOU IS VERY LOUD..

REAL LY?

A PERSONAL GRUDGE... AGAINST... HAKUMEN...

HE HAS.

SHUT UP! WHAT THE HELL'S YOUR MEMORY FROM WHEN YOU WERE STONE?

KAH KAH KAH! YOU'VE GOT SOME FIGHT TO YOU, DON'T YOU?

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IT'S A FAR OFF MEMORY...

NICE TO MEET YOU LITTLE BOY

ONE DAY, SHE CAME.

A GOOD AMOUNT OF TIME PASSED.

...I WAS CONSCIOUS BUT ONLY VAGUELY AWARE...

I HAD BECOME STONE...

WAS SOME BROKEN DOWN VILLAGE IN SOME FORGOTTEN LAND...

ALL I COULD SEE

HOOH! THEN WHAT!?

THE WOMAN ...

WAS AN AVATAR OF HAKUMEN NO MONO.

MAYDE

SHE SPOKE TO ME!

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SO MANY HUMANS SO VERY MANY DAVENPORTS

SO VERY MANY

DON'T YOU WANT TO KILL MAYDE?

THE GODDESS WISHED MAYDE A NIGHTMARE THAT SHE WISHED SO A DAVID

BUT

YOU CAN JUST THINK IT ANSWER.

YOU HAVEN'T KILLED ENOUGH, HAVE YOU?

HAKUMEN KNOWS

I WAS DESTROYING PIECES OF YOU ALL THE TIME WHEN I USED THE BEAST SPEAR.

WHAT'RE YOU THINKING!? YOU'RE HAKUMEN, AREN'T YOU?

YOU'RE RIGHT SO, I'LL LET YOU KILL STRONGER ONES.

YES, I HAVEN'T KILLED ENOUGH!

KILLING ONLY WEAK-LINGS IS NO FUN.

WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO TELL YOU WHY?

.....

EVEN WHEN YOU BECAME A BAKE-MONO

YOU USED THAT SPEAR BUT YOU DON'T DREAM OF KILLING ME

THE ONLY WAY A DEMON CAN LIVE YOUR MAN WAS INSIDE THE OBJECT CREED

DEMONS WERE YOU! DEMON MAGIC

HE HAD DESTROYED CREED

HE HAD CREED'S SOUL AND DESTROYED IT TO THE FOURTH

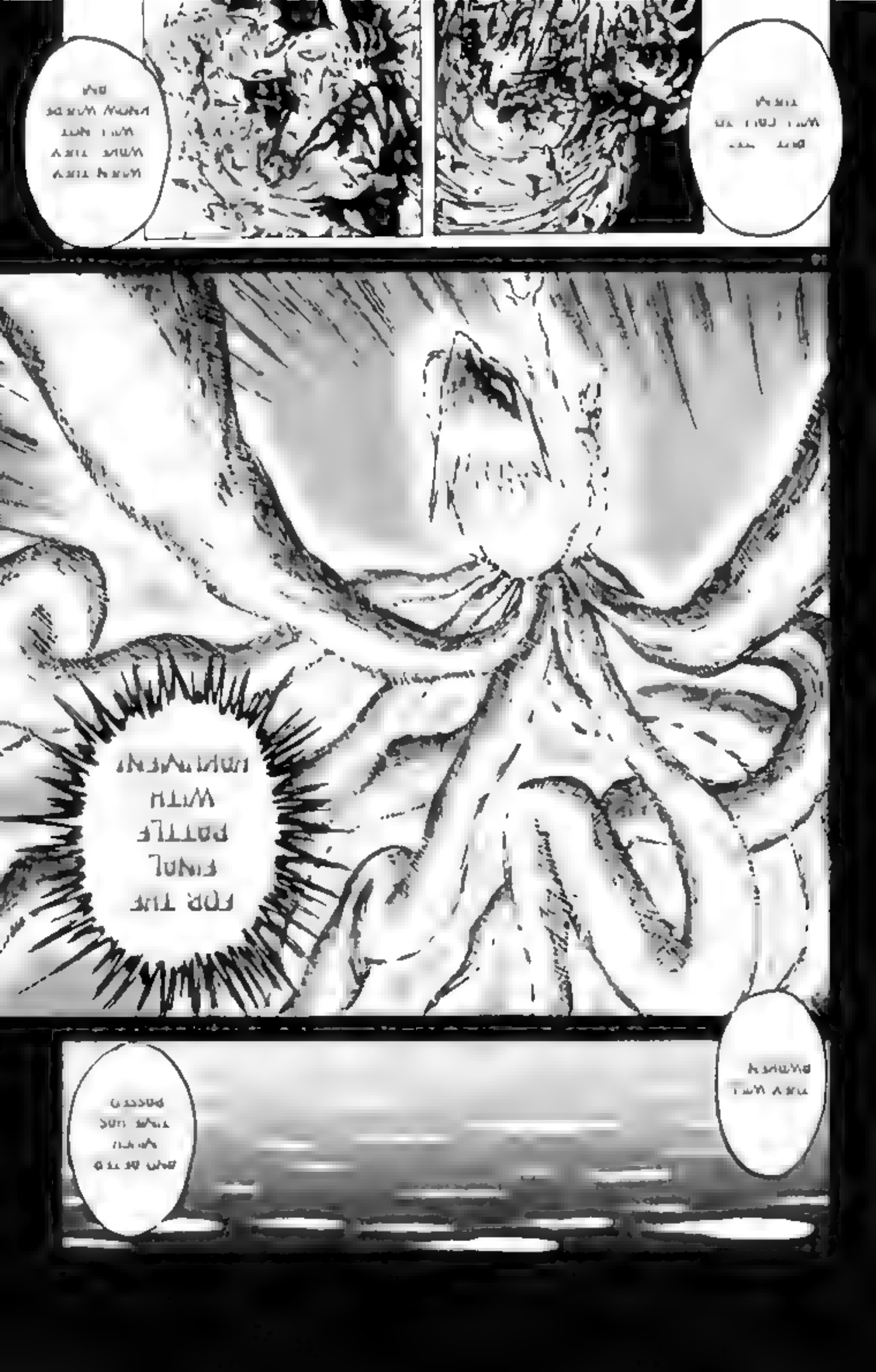
THE ABOMINABLE CREED SNAPS

YOU! DEMON UNDERSTAND ONE THE CRAVE

THE POINT OF UNDERSTAND THAT CONTINUOUSLY WORSHIPPED TO THEM WHEN THEY WERE UNDEAD LORDS THEIR CITY!

DESTROY BUT NOT DEMON THEM CLOSE OF STONE

HE TOOK MY HOME THOSE WHO LOST THE OBJECT CRAVE


FOR THE FINAL BATTLE WITH MONUMENT!
Assisted by the Monument!

THE FEAST SPEAR !!

AND HAKUMEN WILL GIVE YOU THE POWER TO DO IT

YOU WILL KILL STRONGER RAKEMONO

OH YEAH? KEH. WHAT A BORING LITTLE STORY! YOU'VE JUST BECOME A PAWN OF HAKUMEN THEN!

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SO THEY ALL CAME HERE.

THE AZAFUSE WOKE FOR THE FINAL BATTLE WITH HAKUMEN!

NOW JUST A PAWN. I ONLY HAVE TO DO WHAT I LOVE...

THE FINAL BATTLE IS-

CLOSE!

THE BEAST SPEAR LED THEM HERE?

LOOK AT YOUR ARM WHERE I CUT IT BEFORE

KEH, WHAT POWER?

AND THE POWER IT GAVE ME WAS GREAT.

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HA HA HA! THESE ARE THE WEAPONS I RECEIVED FROM HAKUMEN!

UOOH! WHAT THE HELL'S THIS!?

THESE ARE LIGHTNING SWORDS, FORGED BY HUMANS TO DESTROY BAKEMONO!

HAKUMEN KILLED THE HUMANS AND I USE THEM ON THOSE WHO WOULD GATHER HERE...

TOA!

DIFFER-ENT! YOU NORMAL AZAFUSE AND I ARE DIF-FERENT!

AH HA HA HA HA HA HA HA!

THE ONLY ONE WHO'LL FAIL-

I'LL SLICE BAKEMO NO AND HUMANS TO PIECES!! KEH HIH HIH HIH HIH...

THIS IS GREAT-!

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-IS YOU!

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Grudge

YOU'RE... LAUGHING!?

YES...

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AND FINALLY, WE MEET BY PURE CHANCE ...

I WANTED TO FIND YOU SO MUCH I THOUGHT I'D DIE- I COULDN'T BEAR IT ...

AND WANTED TO FIND YOU...

I'VE WANTED-

TO THAT NIGHT, 15 YEARS AGO!

I WAS INVITED BY THE BAKEMONO WHO TURNS BACK TIME, TOKISAKA, TO GO THERE...

I SAW...

AND THEN ...

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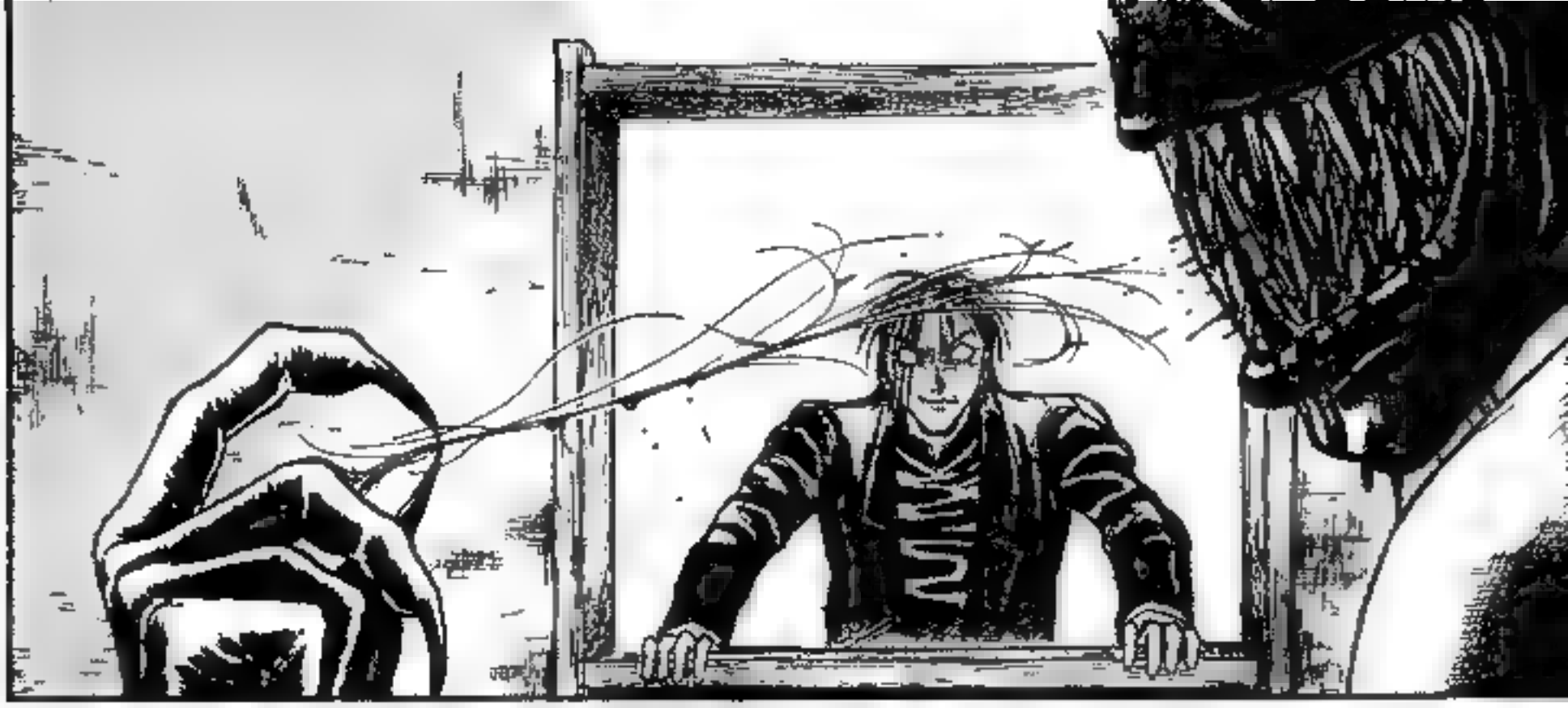

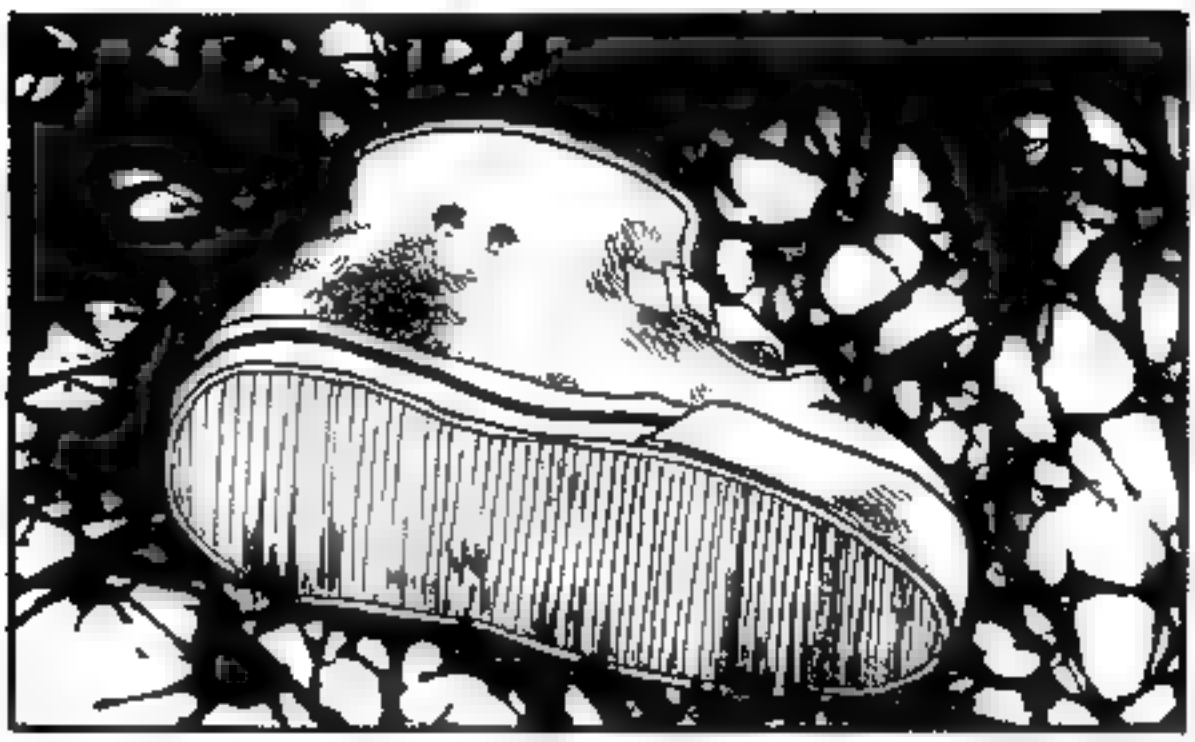

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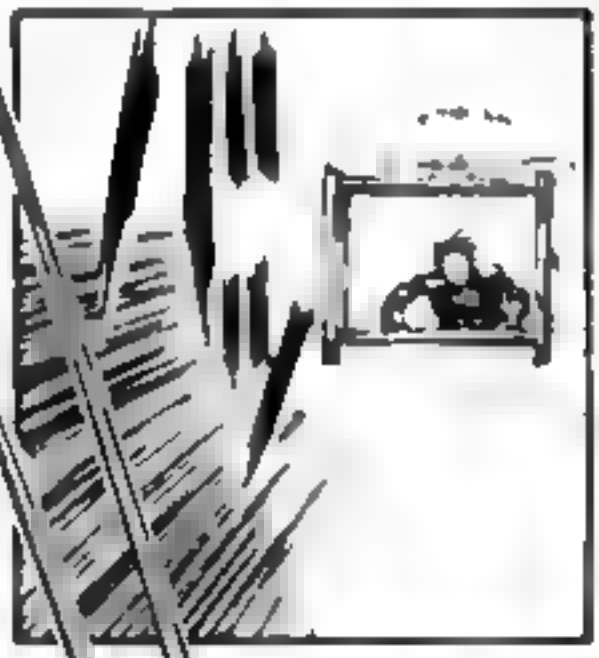

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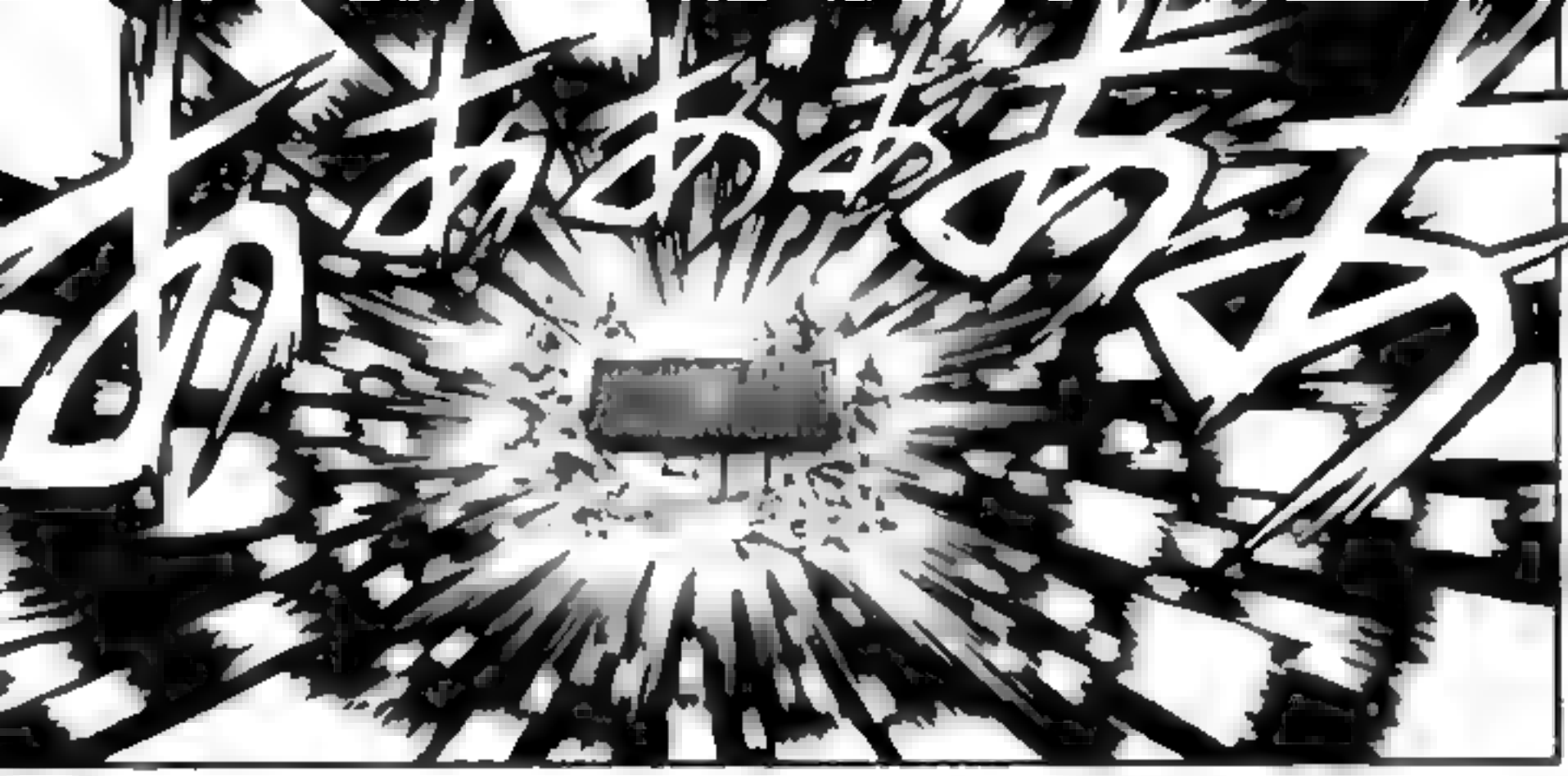
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BAD LUCK, WASN'T IT?

FUH
IT WAS.

WAS CLOSE TO WHERE YOU SLEPT IN STONE.
THE VILLAGE WHERE MY FAMILY WAS LIVING. .

TO CLEAN OUT ALL THE CRAP.
YES. I ATE ALL THE HUMANS I COULD, TO BUILD MY STRENGTH.

THEN, YOU WOKE UP 15 YEARS BEFORE THE REST OF THE AZAFUSE...

YOU... KILLED MY WIFE AND DAUGHTER...

SO, TO KILL THE OTHER AZAFUSE, TO REGAIN YOUR STRENGTH...

IN THE FINAL BATTLE BETWEEN THE BEAST SPEAR AND HAKUMEN, THOSE WHO USED THE BEAST SPEAR BEFORE WOULD STAND IN HAKUMEN NO MONO'S WAY..

CLEAN OUT CRAP?

...YES, I DO INDEED HAVE A MISCHIEVOUS HEART...

DON'T YOU UNDER-STAND?

DID YOU LEAVE ME ALIVE ON PURPOSE?

YES.

AND THEN...

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AND I LIKE TO WATCH.

THE MEN WHOSE WOMEN AND BRATS I EAT SCREAM THEMSELVES TO DEATH-

HOW DARE YOU DO THAT TO ME- FIGHT ME AGAIN!
DAMN YOU GURCH!

NO...

WHAT THE- LET GO! GET OUT OF MY WAY!

U- USHIO !?

WHY!?

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HIS HANDS, COVERED IN SCARS...

...YOU'VE SEEN... HYOU-SAN'S HANDS...

GUREN... ISN'T YOURS...

HE'D BE A GOOD FATHER RIGHT NOW, WITHOUT THOUGHTS OF PAIN, WITHOUT EVER SUFFERING.

IF IT WEREN'T FOR GUREN...

EVEN THOUGH HE WAS JUST A NORMAL HUMAN BEING...

HE FOUGHT... AND SEARCHED ...AND FOUGHT AGAIN...

THE THOUGHT OF IT KILLING HIM, HYOU-SAN SEARCHED FOR HIM...

GUREN KILLED HIS WIFE AND CHILD...

HE BELONGS TO HYOU-SAN.

YES, BECAUSE THEN I COULDN'T TELL YOU THIS-

YOU'VE GOTTEN AS STRONG AS A HUMAN CAN. IT'S A GOOD THING I DIDN'T KILL YOU BACK THEN.

OH OH, LOOKS LIKE YOUR STORY'S GOING TO END HERE, EH?

DOWN TO THE BONE.

YOUR WOMAN AND GIRL WERE DELI-CIOUS-

IS LIGHT-NING TECH-NIQUE "7 EXPUL-SIONS".

I'LL BLOW YOU ADART WITH THIS!

KCH KCH!

HE WAS ONLY HUMAN, AFTER ALL...
HEH HEH HEH HEH, HE WASN'T QUICK ENOUGH...

THE 10,000 PRINCIPLES OF HEAVEN SCATTER YOU TO THE WIND.

SINFUL SPIRIT DEMON SEAL...

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CHIIH !!

"NINE CLAWS"

IS LIGHT-NING TECH-NIQUE.

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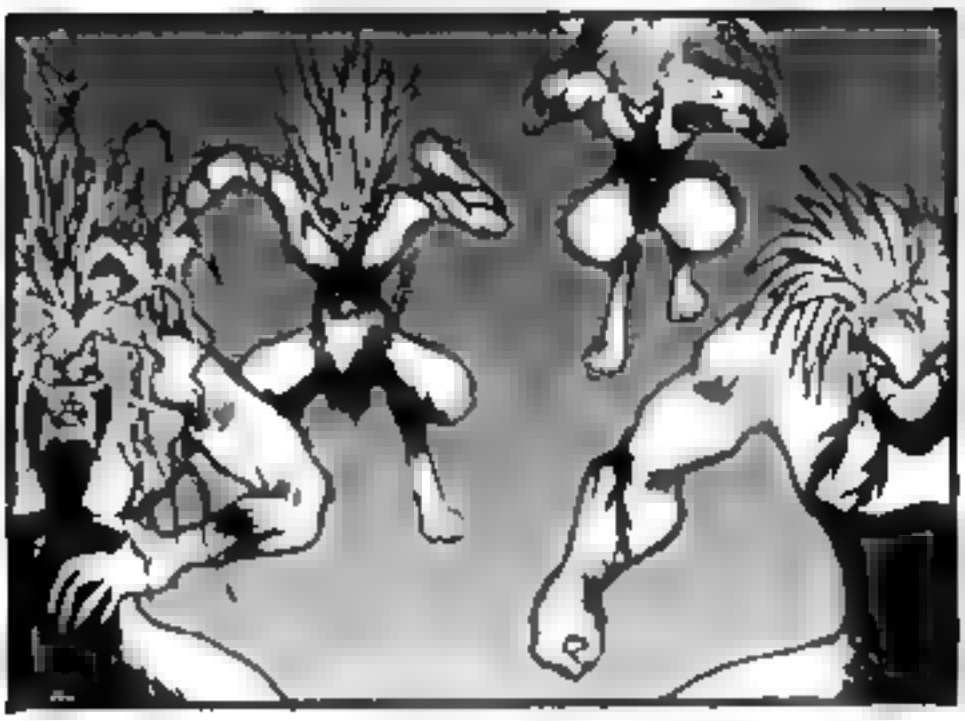

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THINKING I WOULD SIT QUIETLY WHILE YOU GET ME WITH THE KI OF A SINGLE ATTACK?

KUH KUH...

FOR DOING SUCH A THING TO THE GREAT GUREN.

BUT YOUR END IS AT HAND...

I'LL SEND YOU TO HELL A HUNDRED TIMES OVER!

SO...

WHAT'LL YOU DO?

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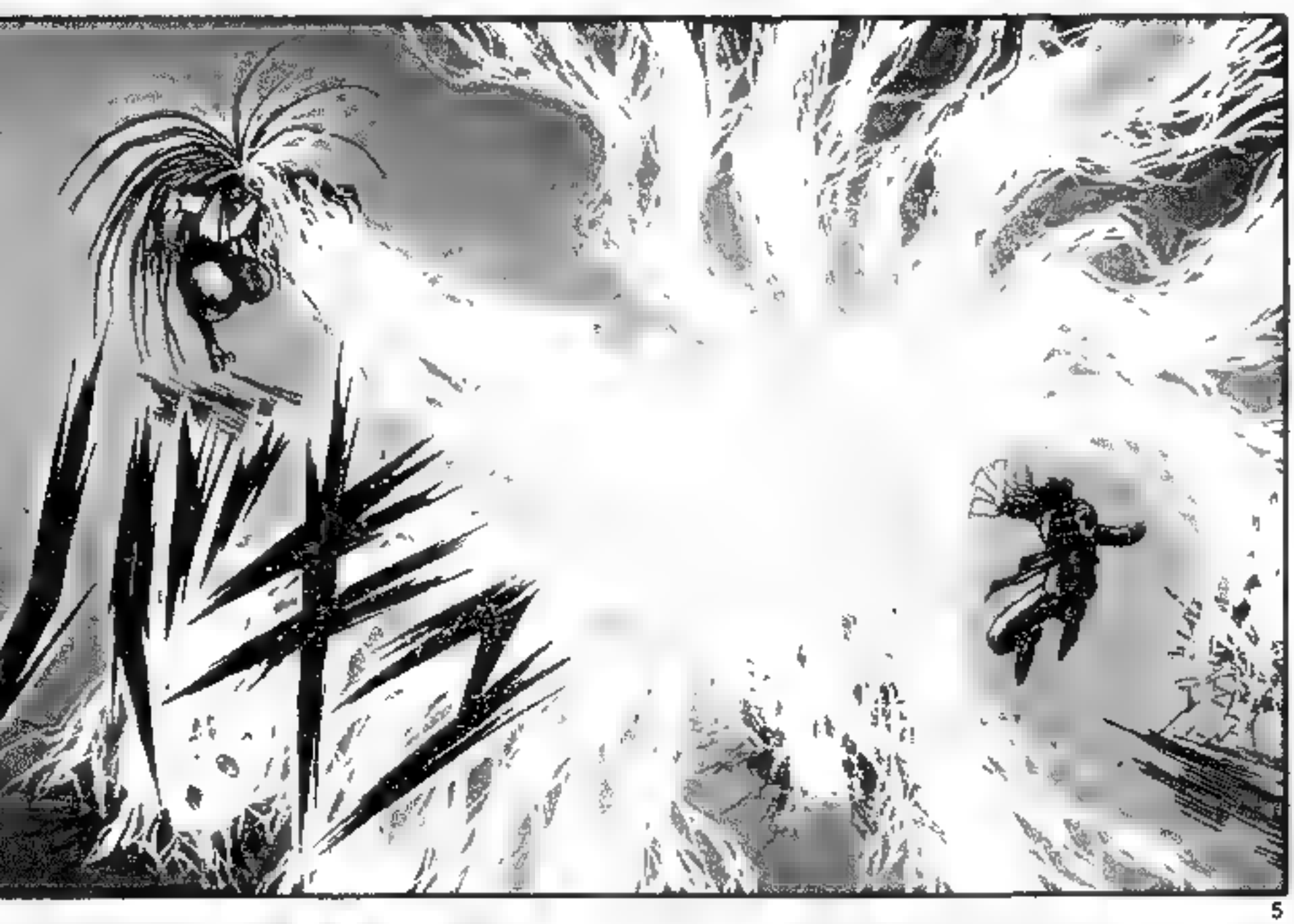
我神気金剛を
以てこれを避く
九天応元雷
声普化天尊
呼神雷即到
制邪雷公将
策雷応時



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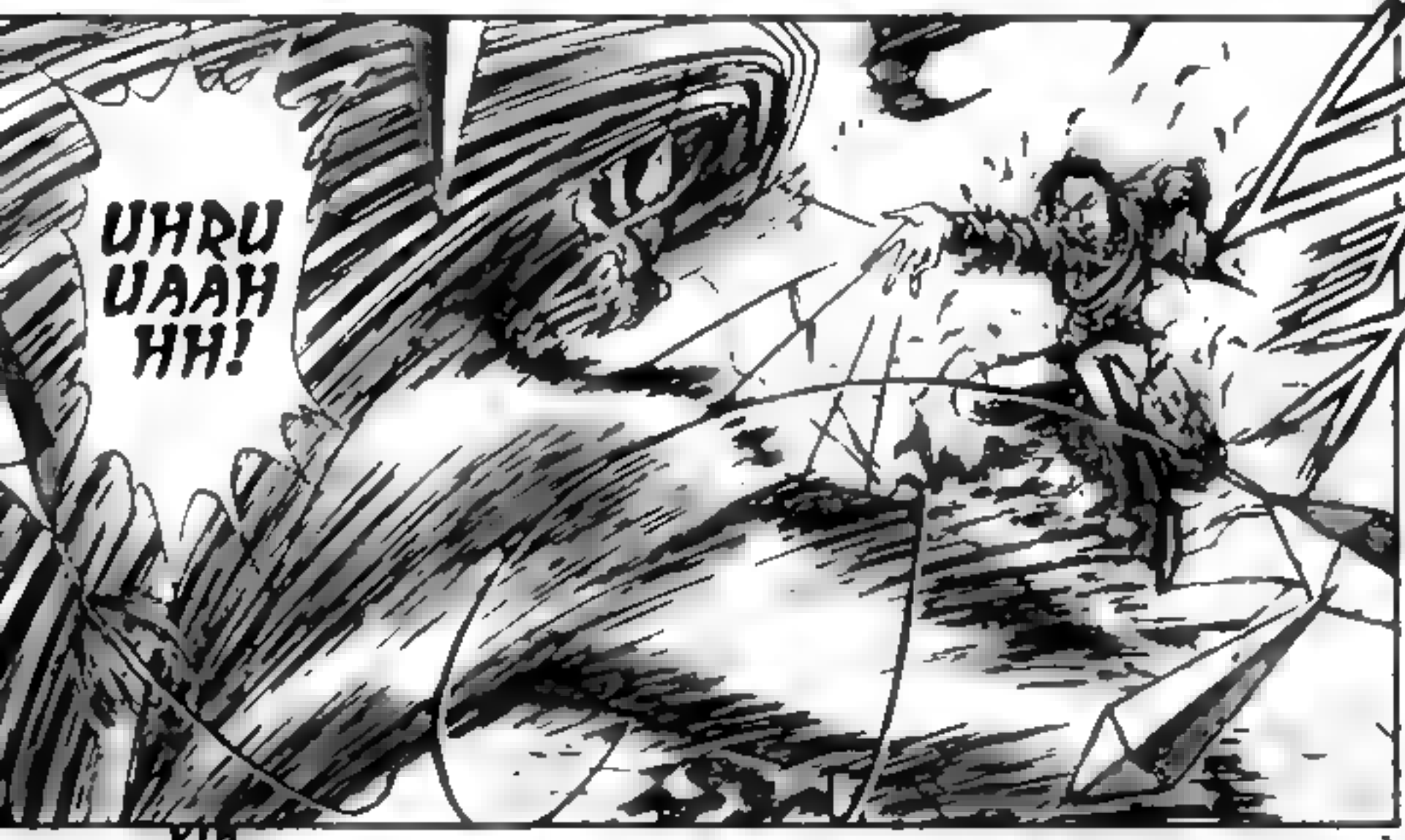
OH, NO...
HEH, LIGHTNING DOESN'T WORK ON HYOU! I ALREADY PROVED THAT.

HYOU-SAN!!
WHAT!? GUREN'S LIGHTNING IS STRONGER THAN MINE!?


UHRU UAAH HH!

THIS TIME, I'LL SETTLE THIS OLD GRUDGE!

"KIN", HUH? IT'S YOUR JOB...TO PROHIBIT THE EXISTENCE OF BAKEMONO...

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BUT...YOU CAN'T PROHIBIT...

THIS MUCH!

HYOU-SAN! MOVE!!

IT'S A SPECIAL FAKE EYE THAT SEES BAKEMONO- A "JOUGAN"*, ISN'T IT?

AND THEN THERE'S THAT RIGHT EYE I GOUGED OUT...

*"EXORCISM EYE"

HAH HA HA HA HA

IT FEELS SO GOOD... TO KILL THOSE WHO HATE ME!

CRAP!

HEY, I'LL EAT THAT FIRST.

IT LOOKS LIKE H4OU'S DOING WHAT HE WANTS. LOOK!

WHA-?

BUT H4OU-SAN'S IN TROUBLE!

THIS IS H4OU'S FIGHT. YOU ALREADY STOPPED ME!

IDIOT, WHERE ARE YOU GOING!

WHAT THE HELL-?

YOU CAN'T...HAVE THIS EYE YET...

SHUT UP AND DIE!

IT'S IMPORTANT I HAVE IT...SO I CAN SEE YOU DIE...

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W-WHAT'S THAT!?

LATER ...
I'LL LEAVE YOU TILL THE NEXT OPPOR-TUNITY.
CH, THEY'RE HERE ALREADY? THEY'RE EARLY.
DOES THIS MEAN HAKUMEN NO MONO'S ALREADY PREPARED?
BUT NEXT TIME...
I WILL DEFI-NITELY EAT THAT JOUGAN.
IT'LL BE A REMINDER OF THE STUPID BLUNDERS HUMANS MAKE...
OI, MAN...
I'M LEAVING THIS IN UNTIL NEXT TIME.
WAIT A SEC! WHAT'S GOING ON!?
THAT I'M TREMBLING...
YES...
I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO IT SO MUCH-

UWAH! THERE ARE THIS MANY BLACK AZAFUSE!?

KUH HA HA HA! YOU'RE HERE? THEN WE'RE READY!

THESE ARE JUST MY BUNSHIN YOU'LL BE FIGHTING... AND YOU SERIOUSLY HOPE TO DEFEAT HAKUMEN NO MONO!?

REALLY?

MORONS. I'LL KILL YOU NEXT TIME AS WELL.

OF COURSE

FOOL,

YES.

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TIME PASSES RELIABLY ON...

THE WIELDERS OF THE BEAST SPEAR, TRANS-FORMED TO AZAFUSE, FLY ON...

I'LL BE WAITING

AND SO, NOW, ENEMIES ARE RESURRECTED BEFORE USHIO AND TORA'S EYES...

AND-

GUREN, BEARING THE ROLE TO DESTROY THEM, HAS APPEARED-

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LIKE HELL! THAT WASN'T WHY!

I DIDN'T GET TO KILL HIM BECAUSE YOU SAID HE BELONGED TO HYOU!

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LOOKED LIKE YOU WERE HAVING A HARD TIME!

UUAAH HE GOT MY ARM AAH

OH! I WANTED TO TEAR THAT GUREN GUY APART.

HE'S FASTER THAN ME! HE'S SO SCARY! HE'S GONNA KILL ME!

ZAP ZAP UUAAH! MY LIGHTNING DOESN'T WORK!

CH! I WAS A LITTLE UNPREPARED FOR THAT...

HYOU-SAN!

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USHIO...

I WOULDN'T SAY THAT...

SO SOMETHING THAT'S BAD FOR ME MAKES YOU HAPPY, HUH? WELL, IF THAT'S HOW IT WORKS-

SORRY, I'LL CALL A DOCTOR RIGHT AWAY-

MORE IMPORTANTLY... LOOK AT THAT..

OH!

THEY'RE TURNING TO STONE

THE AZAFLISE

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YOU'RE TURNING TO STONE BEFORE WE CAN SETTLE OUR FIGHT?! COME ON, FIGHT ME AGAIN!

HEY HEY HEY! WHAT'RE YOU DOING!?

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WHY ARE YOU TURNING TO STONE NOW!? BESIDES, YOU'VE USED THE BEAST SPEAR...I HAVE A LOT OF QUESTIONS I WANT TO ASK!

HEY, WAIT! I THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO FIGHT HAKUMEN TOO!

WE'LL MEET AGAIN

VERY SOON...

BECOME STONE AND WAIT FOR THE FINAL BATTLE WITH HAKUMEN NO MONO...

WE AZAFUSE... BECOME STONE

W-WHAT? WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

BECAUSE HAKUMEN NO MONO'S POWER...

THE SOURCE OF IT'S STRENGTH IS...

SURELY MUST TURN TO STONE AS WELL...

THE ONE WHO KNOWS... THE REASON WE TURN TO STONE...

FEAR OF THE UNKNOWN...

"FEAR"...

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DON'T KNOW THAT...

EVEN I...

HYOU-SAN!

OH! WHERE'M I SUPPOSED TO DIRECT MY ANGER NOW!

HAKUMEN'S POWER...IS THE FEAR OF THE UNKNOWN?

WHAT DOES THAT HAVE TO DO WITH TURNING TO STONE?

GUREN CUT YOU REALLY BADLY AND-

DON'T MOVE! I'LL CARRY YOU INTO THE HOUSE!
OF COURSE, THERE MUST BE SOME REASON BEHIND IT

FUH...
WELL, I'D SAY MAYBE THREE OR FOUR RIBS...
HUH ?

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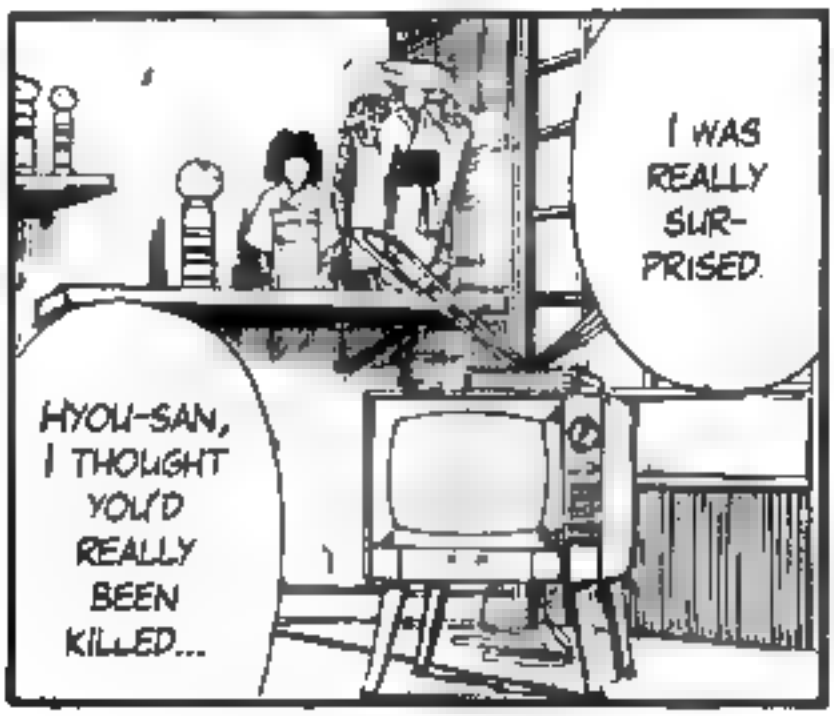

I WAS REALLY SUR-PRISED.
HYOU-SAN, I THOUGHT YOU'D REALLY BEEN KILLED...

KEH. YOU SURVIVED THE BATTLE BY PUTTING THESE ANTI-FIRE AND ANTI-LIGHTNING SEALS* ALL OVER YOUR BODY BEFOREHAND...

A LOT OF THINGS WERE HAPPENING! I WAS PANICKED.

HEH, JUST BECAUSE YOU FORGOT ABOUT IT

*PROTECTIVE CHARMS

IT'S A SPECIAL SALT-SMEARED ROPE AND WOMEN'S HAIR. IT MATCHES THE STRENGTH OF STEEL...

24 KILOS*!

THIS STUFF . CHAINMAIL, IT'S CALLED... SEEMS ABOUT HALF AS HEAVY AS LISHIO.

YOU WERE WEARING THIS WHEN THAT GUY'S SWORDS CAUGHT YOU...

FROM THE FEEL OF IT...

*ALMOST 53 LBS.

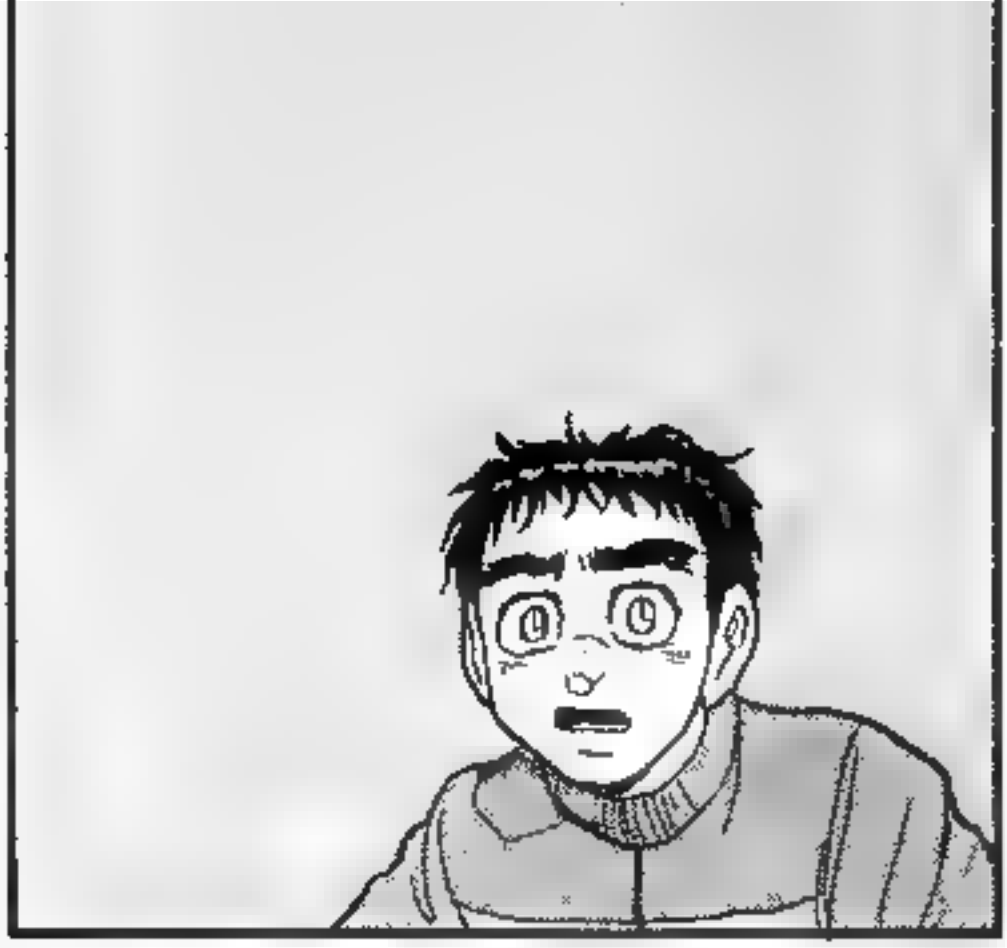
IT'S ALL RIGHT...IT'S ALWAYS LIKE THIS...

HYOU-SAN, ARE YOU SURE THIS IS OKAY? MAYBE I SHOULD CALL A DOC-

ALL RIGHT -

OH!

UH... YEAH?
USHIO...



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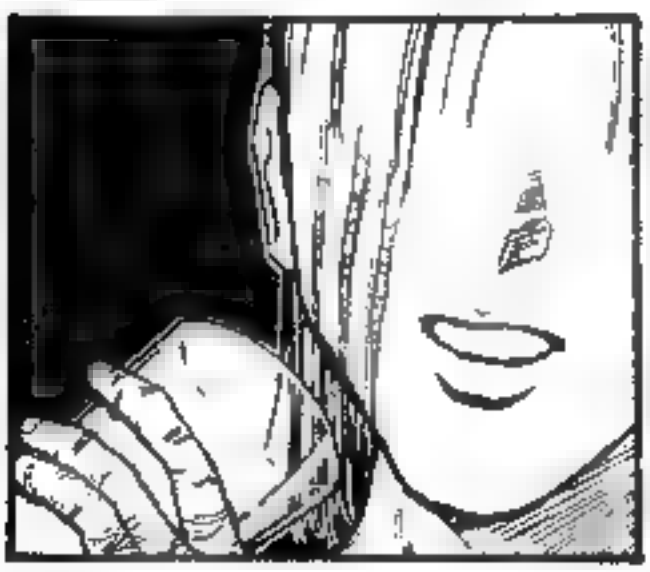

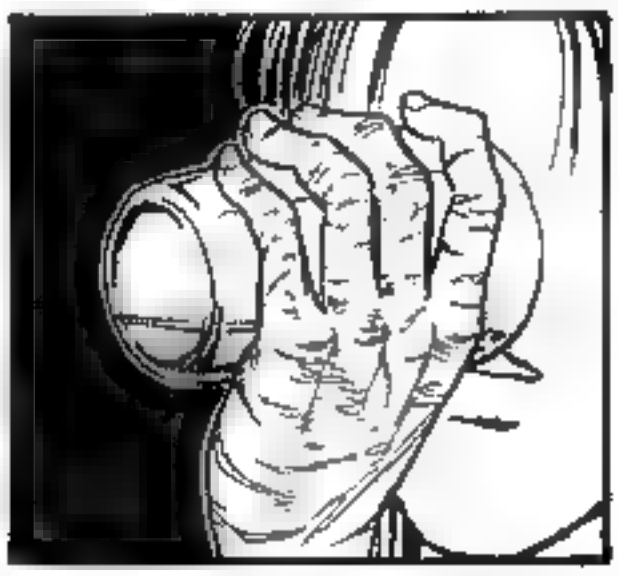

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IS THIS OKAY? YOU SHOULDN'T DRINK WHEN YOU'RE INJURED, AFTER ALL...

FUUN.

AFTER A BATTLE, SAKE CHASES THE IMPURE HATRED FROM YOUR BLOOD...

HIS FAVORITE SAYING WAS THAT,

MY FUJU* MASTER... LOVED SAKE...

*TECHNIQUE FOR SEALING BAKEMONO

SHODOU-SAN SAID THAT, BEFORE, POPS USED TO DRINK A LOT BUT NOT SINCE I WAS BORN.

YOUR FATHER DOESN'T DRINK?

I. WOULDN'T KNOW. POPS DOESN'T DRINK.

THAT WAS A TEMPLE OFFERING.

BUT A MORON!

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HOW ABOUT SOME?

YOUR FATHER ...

IS STRONG ...

WELL, MAYBE A LITTLE.

HEH, YOU SAY THAT, BUT YOU'RE A LITTLE CURIOUS, AREN'T YOU?

HUH? HUH? THAT'S OKAY, I'M OKAY-

Q- QUIET!

THERE'S NO TIME TO TAKE YOU TO TOUKAGEN AND TRAIN YOU.

THIS IS MY FIRST TIME...

IS THAT ENOUGH?

REALLY? FLOWERS ARE ALWAYS FALLING AND TIME STOPS THERE?

THE FINAL BATTLE IS CLOSE...NOTHING WE CAN DO. I'M A LITTLE UNEASY THOUGH.

BUT ANYWAY, WHAT IS THIS TOUGA-THIS WHATEVER IT'S CALLED PLACE LIKE?

YEAH, HE DOES! ABSOLUTELY RIDICULOUSLY SHITTY PICTURES! HE WAS DOING ONE RIGHT BEFORE WE MET YOU BEFORE...

YOU DRAW?

I'D WANT TO SKETCH EVERY DAY.

SOUNDS NICE...

WAIT! I'LL BRING MY BEST STUFF!

THAT'S CUZ YOU'RE HOLDING IT UPSIDE DOWN!

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HERE'S THE PICTURE. LOOK! THE SKY'S ON THE BOTTOM!

...IN THE MIDST OF THIS CHAOS...

SOON, HUMANS AND YOUKAI WILL BE INVOLVED, AND THE WAR WILL BEGIN.

WHAT ABOUT IT?

FUH FUH...

HE ALWAYS DOES THIS WHEN IT COMES TO HIS PICTURES~

THIS IS HOW YOU BOTH FACE THE FIGHT WITH HAKUMEN...

WHAT!?

ONLY YOU TWO THINK EVERYTHING IS THE SAME AS IT ALWAYS WAS...

IT'S STRANGE THAT...

HE'S.. STRONG...

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO NOW? FIGHT GUREN, I ASSUME...

KEH! I DON'T GIVE A RAT'S ASS WHAT HAPPENS TO THAT LITTLE SHIT.

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NEXT IS THE KILL.

YOU'LL DO IT TOGETHER.

YES, WE DO.

YOU SERI-OUSLY HOPE TO DEFEAT HAKUMEN NO MONO!?

IDIOT. OF COURSE!

...YOU...

PERHAPS... IT WILL BE ME...

HAH! HYOU, YOU'VE CHANGED, HAVEN'T YOU...

BUT...AFTER THAT, I WANT TO SEE YOUR FIGHT WITH HAKUMEN.

THAT MUST BE WHY...

THE MOON DOES STRANGE THINGS TO THE HUMAN HEART...

THE CRESCENT MOON IS PRETTY TONIGHT.

WHEN YOU FIRST FOUGHT ME, IT WAS ABOUT REVENGE. IN SHORT, YOU WERE SOMEONE WHO ONLY CARED ABOUT YOURSELF.

Ok Tora Sorry

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SORRY FOR THE WAIT!!

AND AFTER JUST A MOUTHFUL FROM THIS LITTLE THING!

AH, THIS JACKASS IS DRUNK!

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USHIO: ZZZZzzzz....

YES.

YOU GOING?

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THE HYOU* THAT I STABBED INTO HIS STOMACH WILL TELL ME WHERE HE IS.

YOU'RE PLANNING ON GOING AFTER GUREN.

16 *HAND-THROWN BLADES WITH STRINGS ATTACHED (WHERE HYOU TOOK HIS NAME FROM)

IT SEEMS I'M NOT THE ONLY ONE.. WHO'S CHANGED .....

FUHN.

DON'T SCREW UP.

I...CAN'T HOLD MY SAKE...

HY HYOU-SAN... SORRY...

Y...YEAH ...

WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?

NEXT TIME ...

I'LL TRY... TO BE BETTER...AT IT

BUT...NEXT TIME...WHEN WE DRINK...

WE DRINK...

YEAH...

I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO IT...

I WANT TO THANK...

YOU AND USHIO...

HE RELIES TO HAVE SAN

WHAT! LET GO! GET OUT OF THE WAY!

THAT REALLY ISN'T LIKE YOU, IS IT?

THE CRESCENT MOON...

BLAME IT ON...

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Chapter-43 "Before the Wind Blows"
Part-1-Ordinary Scenes

第四十三章「風が吹く前」
其の壱
日常風景

HARLEMEN NO MONO KNOWS.

THE PEOPLE LIVING ON THIS TINY LITTLE ISLAND WILL BE THRUST INTO A KIND OF LIVING HELL.

AND SO

IT KNOWS THE TIME OF ITS AWAKENING IS CLOSE.

AND IT KNOWS THAT WHEN IT WAKES-

WHEN POPS GETS BACK, HE'S GONNA PASS OUT.
YEAH, WELL...
THE AZAFUSE CAME THROUGH IT...SIMPLE AS THAT
DAMN. THE DAMAGE IS KINDA OBVIOUS.

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HYOU-SAN LEFT WHILE I WAS ASLEEP ..

AND THEN THERE'S THIS...

I DON'T KNOW WHY YOU'RE ALWAYS DOING STUPID STUFF.

TORA, WHY DID I DO SOMETHING SO STUPID!?

I CAN'T HOLD MY DRINK AT ALL!

JEEZ~ THAT SUCKS! I DIDN'T EVEN GET TO SAY GOOD-BYE!

HM. WHEN SHOUDOU-SAN COMES, I'LL ASK HIM TO CONTACT POPS AND THE MAIN TEMPLE FOR ME.

SHOUDOU-SAN HASN'T COME TO TAKE OVER FOR POPS WHILE HE'S AWAY TODAY

YEAH, TODAY'S THE OPENING CEREMONY. I CHANGE TO GRADE 8 TODAY

HEY, YOU'RE GOING TO THAT "SCHOOL" PLACE, RIGHT?

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N-NO REASON, TOUSAN!
OH, WHY ARE YOU PRAYING SO SERIOUSLY IN FRONT OF THE SHRINE, ASAKO?
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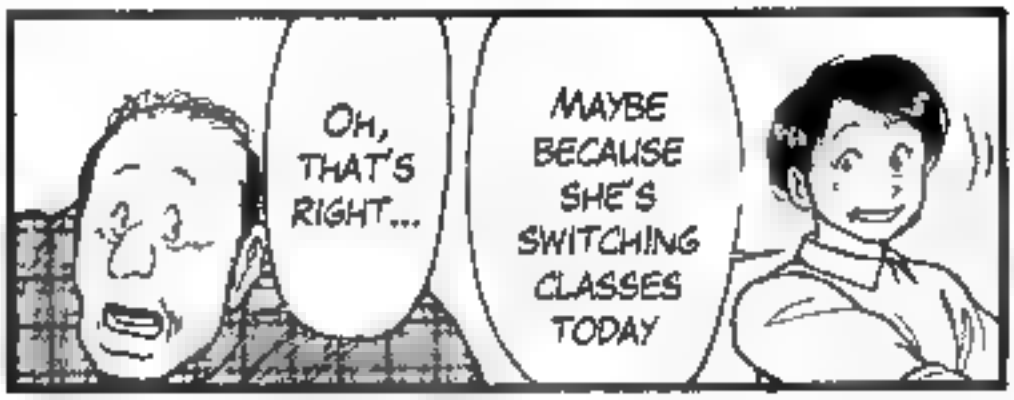
OH, THAT'S RIGHT...
MAYBE BECAUSE SHE'S SWITCHING CLASSES TODAY

QUIT LOOKING AT ME LIKE THAT!!
DON'T "AH-HA"!
Ah-ha!
SHE PROBABLY WANTS TO BE IN CLASS WITH A CERTAIN SOMEONE.

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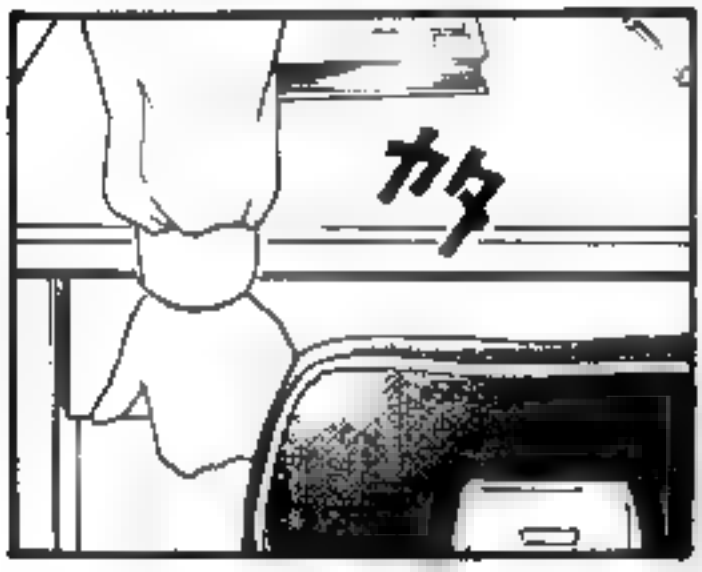
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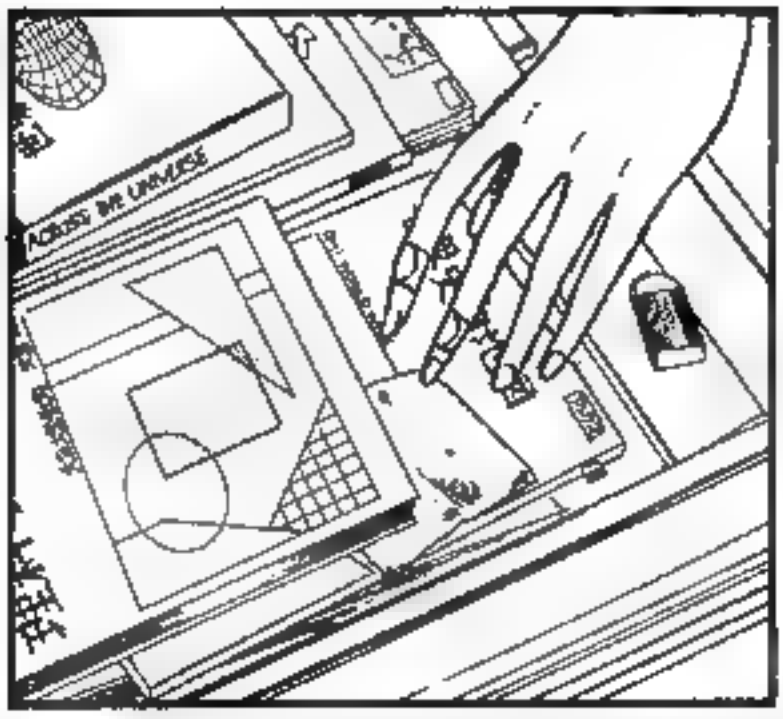

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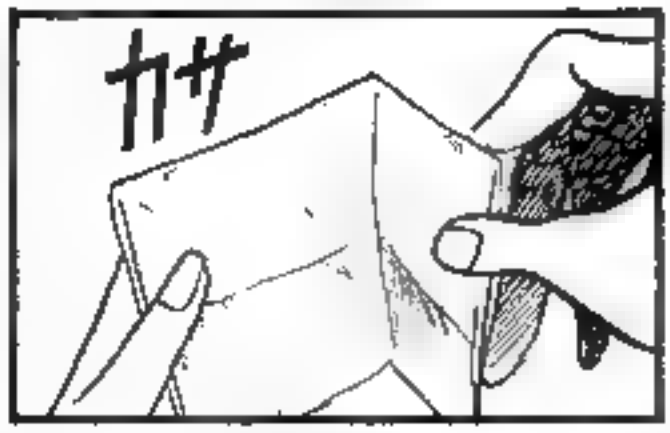
ANGRY ASAKO
USHIO, WHAT'RE YOU DOIN'!?



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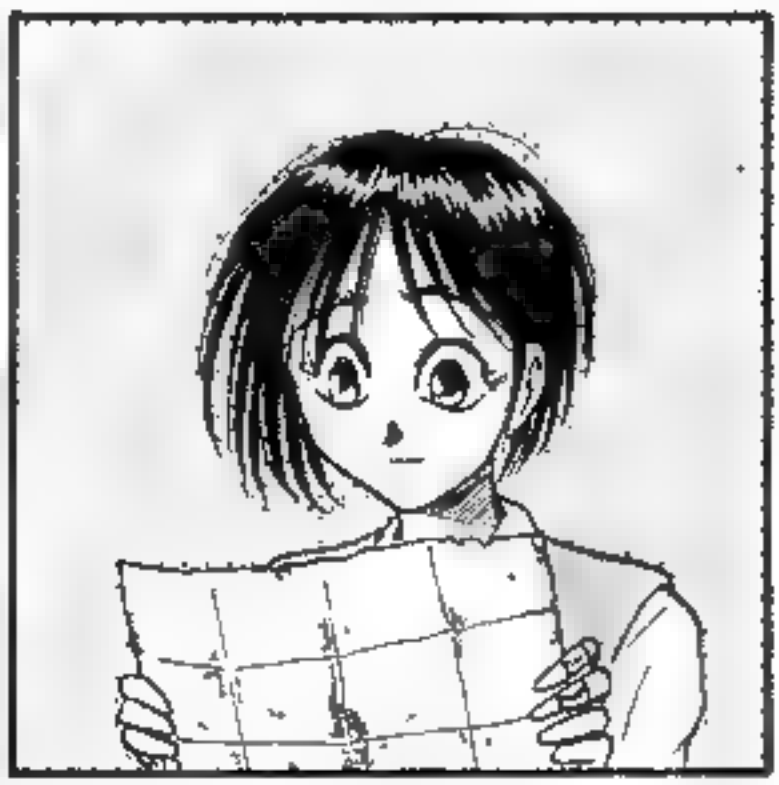
THIS IS FROM STUDY HALL IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL..
HE PROBABLY DOESN'T EVEN REMEMBER IT



HERE ON THE MONEY

OKAASAN AND OTOUSAN

USHIO

"ASAKO-SAN WILL TAKE CARE OF THE"--

JEEZ

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ITTE KIMASU!

ASAKO, DO YOU HAVE A FEVER?

YOUR FACE IS RED.

I'M FINE!

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THIS ICH-IRINZA-SHI*?

IT'S PRETTY GREAT, ISN'T IT?

DEAR, YOU'RE BOTHERING KIRIO-CHAN. QUIT IT.

REALLY? BUT IT'S SUCH A GOOD ONE..

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*A VASE FOR HOLDING A SINGLE FLOWER

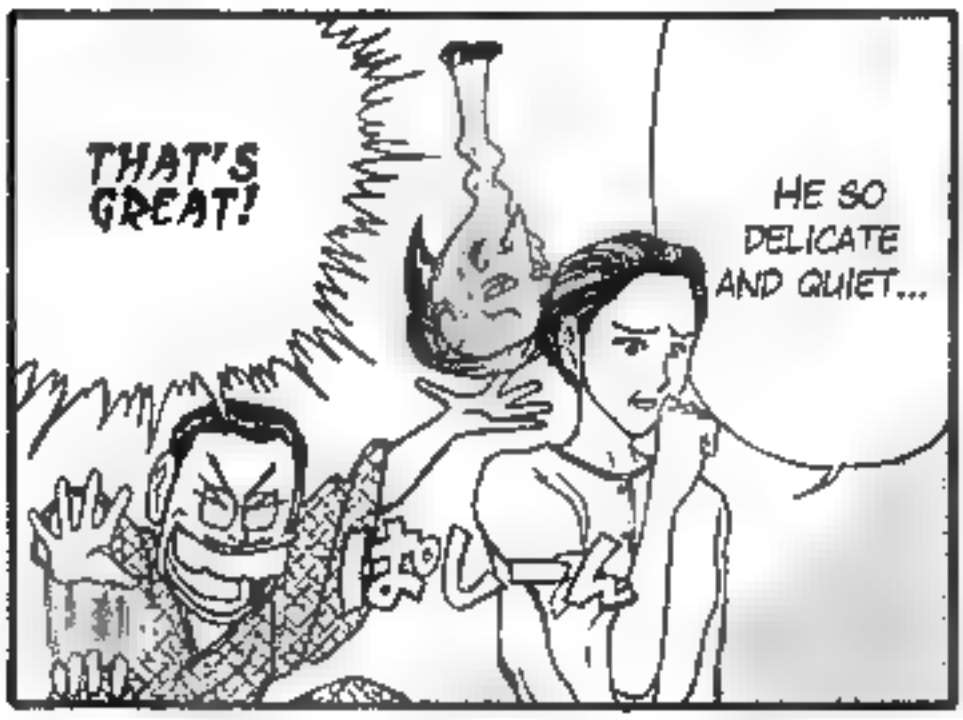
OH...

YES, MA'AM.

SORRY, BUT COULD YOU GO WAKE MAYUKO FOR ME?

I'M REALLY WORRIED ...
TAKING CARE OF KIRIO-CHAN FOR USHIO-KUN'S FATHER IS FINE BUT..
I'M WORRIED.
UH... YEAH...

OH?
UM. .I THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE BETTER WITH A SLIGHTLY DEEPER BLUE COLOR-ATION.


THAT'S GREAT!
HE SO DELICATE AND QUIET...

THEY'LL PROBABLY TEASE HIM WHEN HE STARTS HIS NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL...
THAT BOY IS SO TIMID... HE'S HAD SO MANY HARD-SHIPS UP TO NOW.
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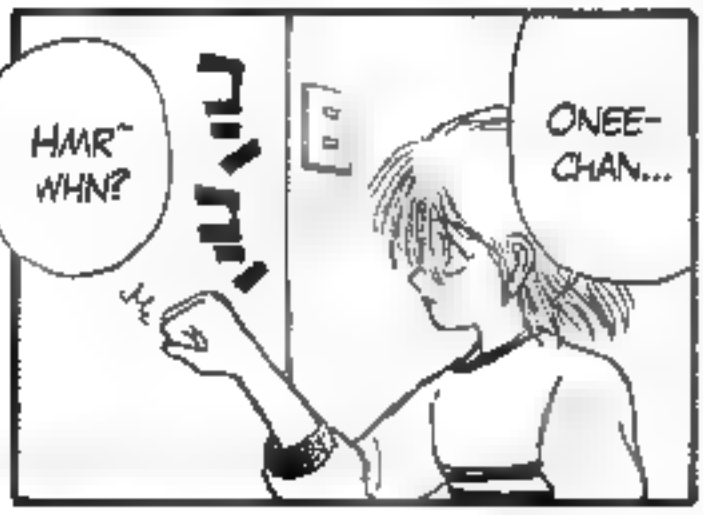
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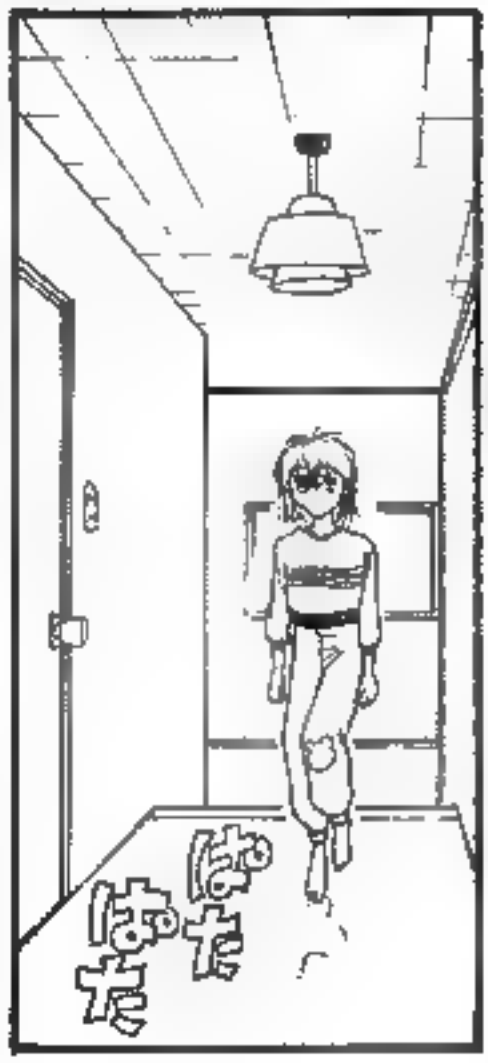
ONEE-CHAN...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DEAR, YOU WEREN'T LISTEN-ING TO ME AT ALL!!
HE'S GOT AN APPRAISER'S EYE! SOMEDAY I CAN HAND MY COLLEC-TION OVER TO HIM!

IT'S TIME TO...
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TODAY'S THE OPENING CEREMONY FOR THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR, HUH?

WE'RE CHANGING CLASSES ...

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KIRIO-KUN... 'MORNIN'.

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I'M SCARED. I'D BE SO HAPPY TO BE WITH ASAKO AND REIKO AND EVERY-BODY...

YOU'RE GOING INTO A NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, KIRIO-KUN. ARE YOU SCARED?

AND THEN- OH!

THE THIRD-YEAR STUDENTS GET A BIG FIELD TRIP*. I'M REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO GOING WITH EVERYONE!

UM. YEAH ...

THEY'RE BOTH GREAT.

OH, I'LL INTRODUCE YOU TO THEM AFTER-WARDS.

*A JAPANESE FIELD TRIP USUALLY LAST FOR SEVERAL DAYS

Were you fighting a bakemono?

Your pulse and adrenalin are highly elevated...

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井上和男
片山ユキオ

秋元たま
大久保歩
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NEW THIRD YEAR CLASSES
CLASS 1
ANNISHI NOBUYUKI AKIMOTO TAMA
INOUE KAZUO OOGU MORIYUKI
KATAYAMA YUKIO KAMON NAMI

KYAH! WE'RE TO-GETHER!

GEH, I'M WITH HIM!?

HUH? MY NAME'S NOT HERE.

BANZAI, I PASSED!

WHAT CLASS ARE YOU?

SORRY! UWAH, THERE'S SUCH A CROWD!

AND I DO THIS TO THEM-

KEH. I DON'T LIKE PEOPLE I DON'T LIKE EITHER.

YOUR KIND HAS A LOT OF TIME TO WASTE. AS FOR US, WE DON'T LIKE TO BE WITH PEOPLE WE DON'T REALLY LIKE.

WHAT'S ALL THIS? THEY LOOK LIKE IDIOTS~

TO GET THIS HAPPY OR UPSET OVER BEING IN THE SAME ROOM WITH SOME PEOPLE FOR A LITTLE WHILE...

WELL.

IT'S BEEN A WHILE, BUT NORMAL PEOPLE CAN'T SEE TORA.

COME ONE, IT WAS JUST A JOKE~

WHAT THE HECK DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING!?

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YO, GUYS! WHAT CLASS ARE YOU IN? DO YOU KNOW MY CLASS?

OH, YOKOO AND ATSUKE !

W-WHAT'S WRONG?

...UM, SO...

SORRY. IT JUST SLIPPED MY MIND.

WHAT'S UP? IT WAS LIKE YOU'D NEVER SEEN ME BEFORE!

OH, YOU TOO, YOKOO?

IF IT ISN'T USHIO!

OH, SORRY! SORRY!

AND LOOK WHO ELSE.

REALLY, I'M WITH YOU TWO?

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I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU-

HERE, YOUR CLASS IS THIS WAY!

THEY ARE REEEALLY HAPPY.

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WITH GIRLS...WHO WE CAN GET TO KNOW BETTER~

USHIO, YOU IDIOT, THE CLASS IS GOING ON A FIELD TRIP IN JUNE..

FROM WHAT?!

THIS CLASS'S GRADE IS LOOKING UP~

NAKAMURA-SAN AND INOUE-SAN?

OH NO! SHE'S DATING THAT DELINQUENT MASAKI-SAN.

IT'S HANYUU. THE GIRL WITH THE DEATH WISH!

DON'T LOOK AT HER ICY PROFILE!

SHE'S SO SCARY~

NO WAY! THEY'RE IN THE SAME CLASS TOO!

THIS IS GREAT! THOSE THREE SIDE BY SIDE IS LIKE AN IDOL PIN-UP POSTER!

WHAT THE-? SHE'S NOT SO SCARY...

HEY! YOU THREE ARE IN THE SAME CLASS TOO?

WELL, GOOD TO SEE YOU.

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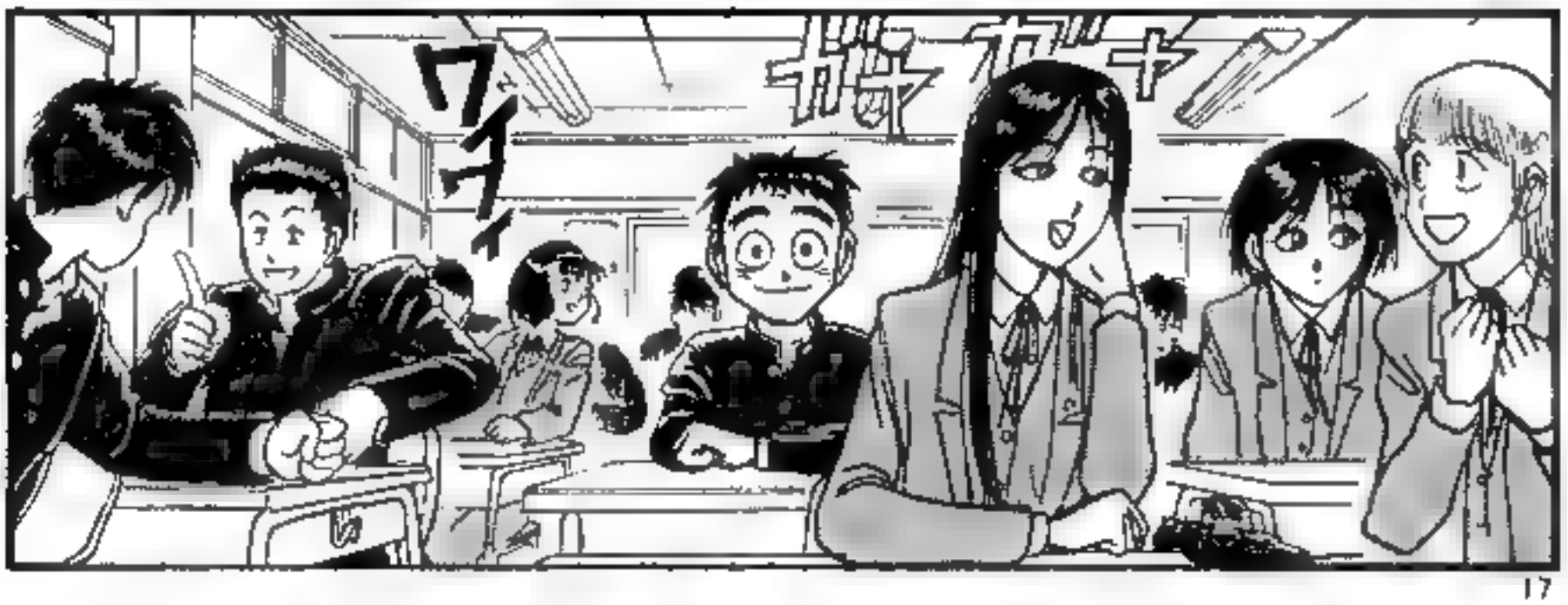
JEEZ, WHAT'S WRONG WITH ME? YOUR NAME JUST DIDN'T COME TO ME RIGHT AWAY...
WHAT THE HECK, AOTSUKI! YOU JUST SLIPPED MY MIND!
I'M SO SORRY, USHIO-KUN!
OH. OH MY GOSH
HEH HEH...
WHAT? YOU TOO?

PLEASE DO YOUR ABSOLUTE BEST!
EVERYONE NOW THAT YOU'RE IN GRADE 3, YOU'LL HAVE A LOT OF DISTRACTIONS

SORRY!
FUHN! FIRST ATSUIKE AND YOKOO... NOW YOU GUYS...
YOU ALL SHOULD HAVE YOUR HEADS EXAMINED.

THE JUNE CLASS FIELD TRIP...
WE'LL DISTRIBUTE THE HAND-OUT ABOUT
AND NOW-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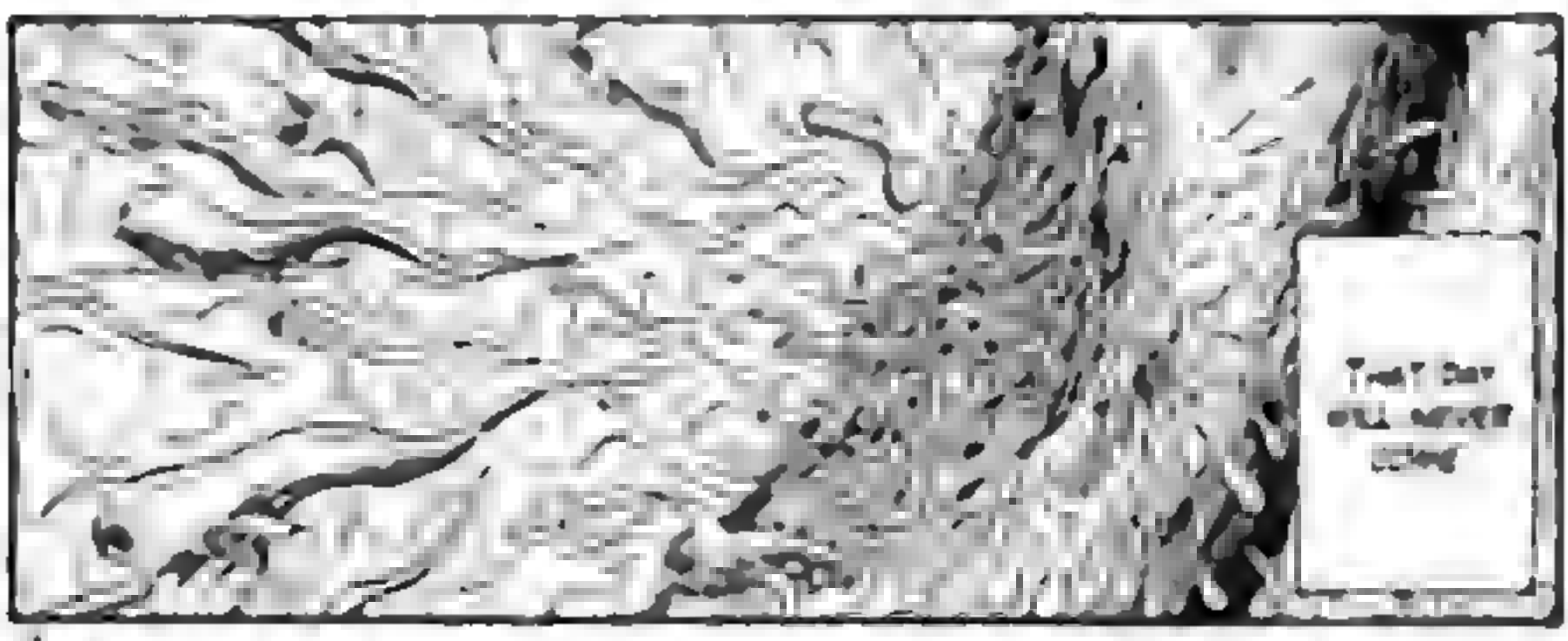
A FIELD TRIP, HUH?
HOW-EVER...



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YOU'RE WELCOME TO UPLOAD THIS SCANLATION IN ANOTHER WEBSITE. BUT PLEASE WAIT 24 HOURS BEFORE YOU DO THAT. THANKS

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Part 2 The Wind

YES, THAT'S RIGHT. USE THE LONG AND SHORT STITCHES THERE,

TO MAKE A GRADATION.

JUST A SEC.

DON'T OPEN A SPACE THERE. IT'S LIKE THIS...

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DAIKICHI MANSION

IT'S FINE. I REALLY LIKE THIS.

OKAY..

I'M SORRY FOR TAKING UP YOUR SUNDAY, REIKO.

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BUT I WAS HONESTLY SURPRISED.

UH... THAT'S... UH...

BESIDES... I WAS WONDERING ABOUT YOUR BEHAVIOR LATELY.

REIKO?

IT WAS THE DAY OF THE CLOSING CEREMONY FOR GRADE 2...

COULD YOU TEACH ME TO EMBROIDER?

WELL, UH...

HEY, UM..

YEAH ..

ASAKO, IS THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE MEETING OVER?

IT'S FOR... AOTSUKI'S..

BUT WHY ALL OF A SUDDEN?

NO, NOT AT ALL.

IS IT HARD?

REALLY ?

OH MY GOD! NAKAMURA-SAN WAS HIT BY A BALL!

HANG ON, ASAKO!

WHAT !?

KYAH!

NO NAKAMURA-SAN WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SOCCER CLUB!

NO WAY, I GUARANTEE IT'LL BE THE JUDOU CLUB!

THE BASEBALL CLUB WILL TAKE YOU TO THE INFIRMARY!

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, ASAKO ?

OW~

HIEH!

I'M OKAY, DAMMIT !

THAT IDIOT AOTSUKI. HIS PAINTS ARE ALWAYS SCATTERED ALL OVER.

I THOUGHT IT'D BE NICE TO MAKE A BAG FOR THEM.

FUUH.

CH. NAKAMURA'S REALLY THAT'S FINE BUT WELL

QUIT COMPLAINING!

YOU'RE QUITE POPULAR

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EVEN SO HE'LL PROBABLY LOSE IT ANYWAY

BUT I THOUGHT I COULD PUT HIS NAME ON WITH EMBROIDERY

MAYBE IT'S A MISTAKE

AND MAYBE PUT HIS NAME ON IT

REALLY?

I'M SURE AOTSUKI WOULD BE VERY HAPPY

IT'S NOTHING TO BE SHY ABOUT. IT'S GREAT

WHEN IT COMES TO USHIO-KUN, YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO DO A LITTLE ON YOUR SIDE...

WELL...HA HA...HA HA...

REIKO!

I'll TEACH YOU A LOT OF GREAT STUFF

GOOD LUCK!

BUT ASAKO

BUT IT'S VERY LIKE YOU TO TAKE A ROUTE THAT'S NOT EXACTLY YOUR STRONG SUIT.

I DID IT AGAIN! DARN IT- JEEZ!

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I'M SURE IT'LL ALL WORK OUT..

I BROUGHT REFRESH-MENTS!

"OHAYO"

WANT MY USHIO

*SHORT FOR KONNICHIWA

WHICH MEANS HE WAS TELLING ME IT'D BE SOME TIME IN JUNE..

NINE MONTHS AFTER I DELIVER THIS MESSAGE, THE FINAL BATTLE WITH HAKUMEN WILL BEGIN.

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JUST TWO MONTHS TILL JUNE...

SO THEN, I'LL HAVE TO FIGHT HAKUMEN NO MONO WHETHER I WANT TO OR NOT.

I'LL HAVE TO DO WHAT I CAN AS I AM NOW.

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TORA, I'M GOING OUT.

IT REMINDS ME OF SOMETHING, I JUST CAN'T PUT MY FINGER ON IT.

THERE'S SOME-THING...

WHAT'S UP? YOU'VE BEEN SITTING THERE ALL MORNING.

HM.

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ARE YOU SAYING YOU ACTUALLY BELIEVE THAT ABOUT ME!?

"BEING HUMAN"!? LIKE I WAS SOME WEAK, COM-PLETELY WORTHLESS HUMAN!?

ABOUT BEING HUMAN? ABOUT...WHAT KIND OF PERSON YOU WERE?

I'LL LET YOU THINK THEN..
I JUST DON'T KNOW...
HMM...

OKAY, THEN WHAT DOES IT REMIND YOU OF?

USHIO, YOU EVER SAY THAT AGAIN AND I'LL KILL YOU!!

KONNICHIWA OJISAN, OBASAN!
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EVERYBODY'S BEEN DOING THAT RECENTLY. LIKE IT'S THE FIRST TIME THEY'VE EVER SEEN ME...
SORRY, SORRY! IT JUST SLIPPED MY MIND~
EVEN YOU GUYS!

IT'S USHIO-CHAN!
UH. OH MY GOSH! THAT'S RIGHT-
UM. YOU'RE....
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I'LL PUT 'EM HERE.

NO, I JUST CAME TO RETURN THE NOTEBOOKS I BORROWED.

ARE YOU WAITING FOR HER? I'VE GOT SNACKS.

SHE WENT TO REIKO'S PLACE.

OH, REALLY ?

I'M SORRY. OH, ASAKO'S GONE OUT

STOP BY FOR A MEAL NEXT TIME.

SEE YOU, USHIO-CAN.

YOU CAN'T DELAY THE BUSY LIVES OF THE YOUNG.

WHAT? YOU'RE GOING HOME ALREADY?

BYE!

FOR USHIO-CHAN TO COME BY TO RETURN ASAKO'S NOTES...

THAT'S RARE.

OKAY. I WILL NEXT TIME.

NAKAMURA AND I HAVE BEEN INSEPARABLE FOR A LONG TIME..

SHE'S THE DAUGHTER OF THE SEI-CHOUKEN PRO-PRIETORS WHO WERE NICE ENOUGH TO LOOK AFTER ME..

SHE'S ALWAYS FIGHTING WITH ME.

JEEZ!

"USHIO DESCRIBES THE RELATIONSHIP AS "KUSARE-EN"- AN UNDESIRABLE BUT INSEPARABLE RELATIONSHIP

WHENEVER WE MEET.

LIKE.

GOOD LUCK, ASAKO!

IF THERE'S ANYTHING YOU DON'T UNDER-STAND, CALL ME.

I STAY UP LATE.

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SEE YOU LATER, REIKO, MAYUKO.

AND THANKS.

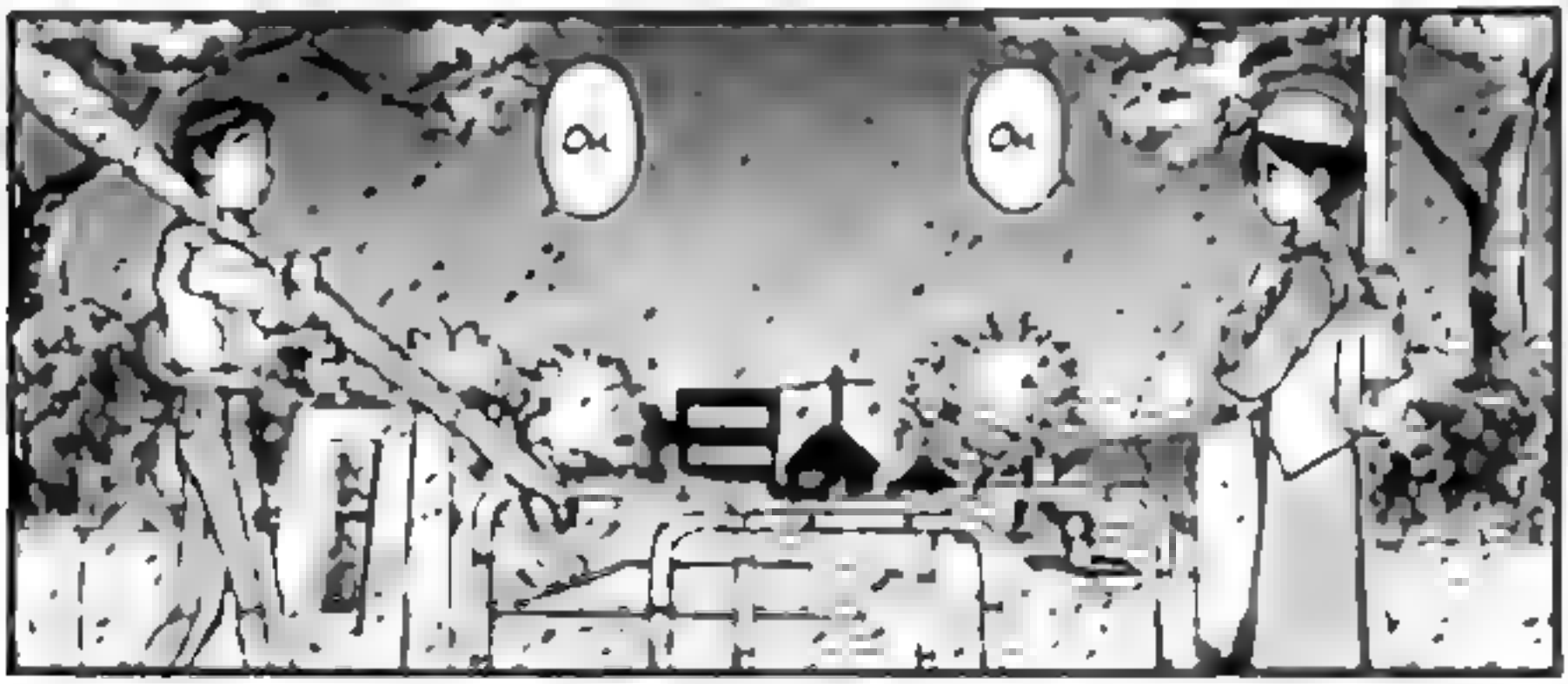
WELL, SORRY~

YEAH, YOU'RE RIGHT.

DEFI-NITELY.

SHE'S REALLY CLUMSY!

IF YOU TELL HER THAT, SHE'LL KEEP CALLING AND CALLING.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MAKAMURA

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JEEZ, YOU'RE COCKY FOR SOMEONE WHO HAD TO BORROW NOTES!

THE KANJI IN YOUR SOCIAL STUDIES BOOK WAS WRONG.

YOU WROTE THE 拳 IN 選挙 (ELECTION) AS 拳 (FIST)

OH, I WAS AT REIKO'S HOUSE.

WHAT THE HECK! I JUST WENT TO YOUR HOUSE TO RETURN YOUR NOTES.

FREAK! HURRY UP AND GO HOME!

WELL, THAT'S EXACTLY WHY I RETURNED THEM!

WHAT!? I WAS TRYING TO CORRECT YOUR MISTAKES FOR YOU!

IF YOU'RE GOING TO SAY THAT KIND OF THING, YOU CAN STUDY ON YOUR OWN, CUZ YOU'RE AN IDIOT!

WHY IS IT ALWAYS LIKE THIS BETWEEN ME AND HER?

NEXT YEAR?

ALWAYS, ALWAYS. TOMORROW AND THE NEXT DAY...THE NEXT YEAR...

A NEXT YEAR...

FOR ME... THERE MAY NOT BE...

~AHEM~

NOTHING FOR IT NOW. I'LL WALK YOU HOME.

USHIO ...

UH...IT'S GETTING DARK...

YEAH!

I JUST THOUGHT ...KINDA... PRETTY...

... NOTHING ...

WHAT'S WRONG ?

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NO! THE CHERRY BLOSSOMS, I MEAN!

HUH?

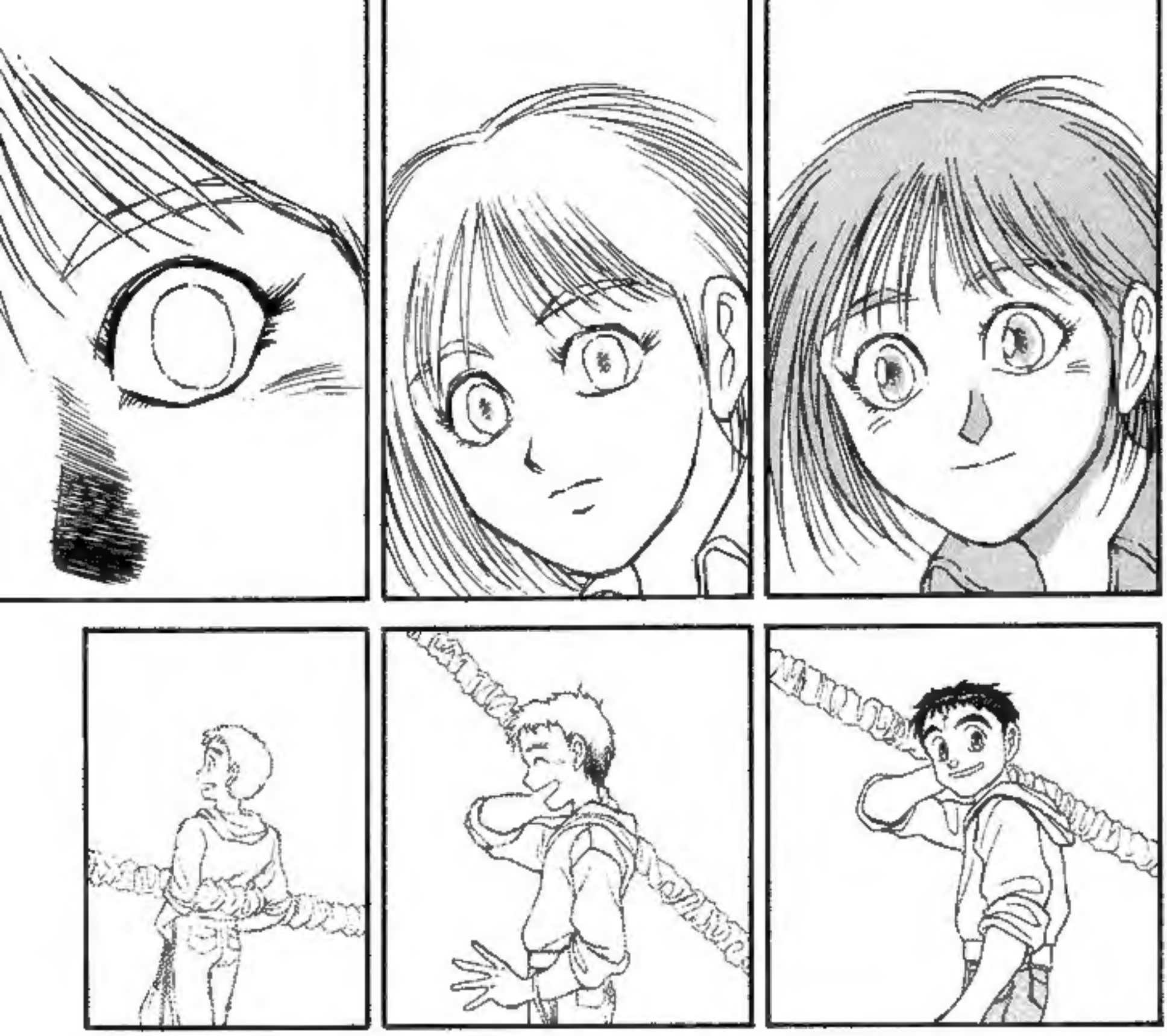
OH YEAH! WHEN WE WERE RIDING AROUND ON THE HOOD OF THAT CAR...

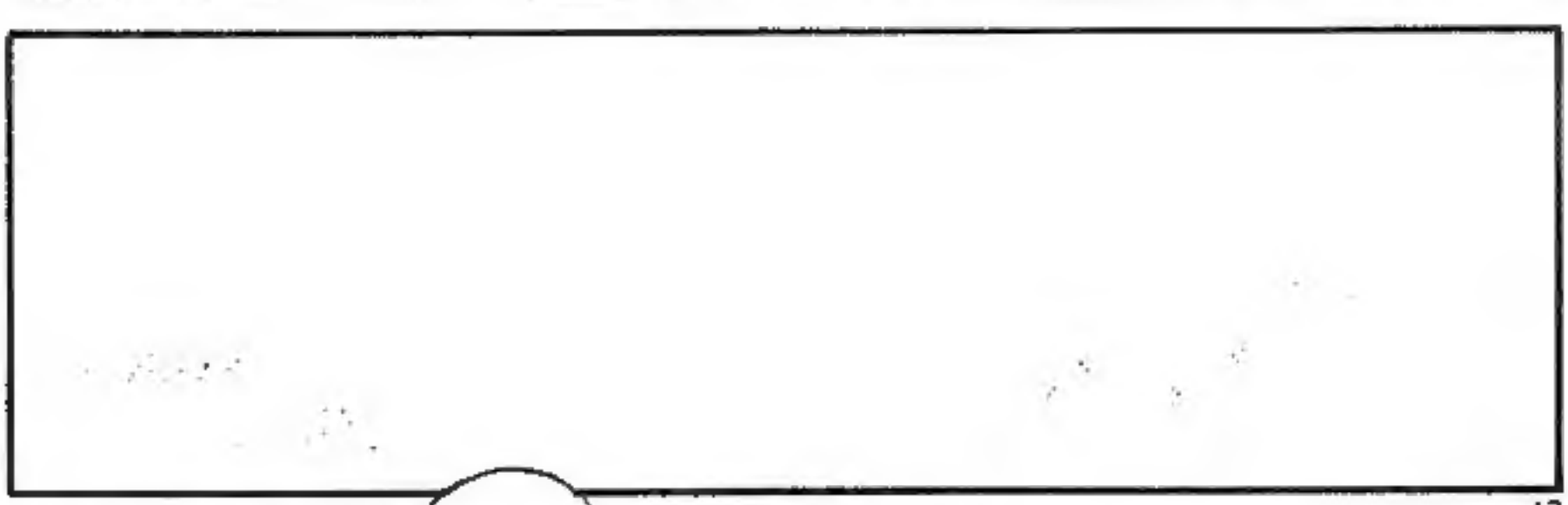
OH, AND THEN KAWADA-SENSEI GOT SO MAD!

WHAT ARE YOU NOW, THEN?

SORRY, SORRY! I WAS YOUNG BACK THEN.

DO YOU REMEMBER, USHIO? THAT TIME IN KINDER-GARTEN WHEN YOU COVERED ME IN SAND?





HUH? WHAT'S WRONG?
HEY, ASAKO?

WHO...

WHO-

WHO ARE YOU!?

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